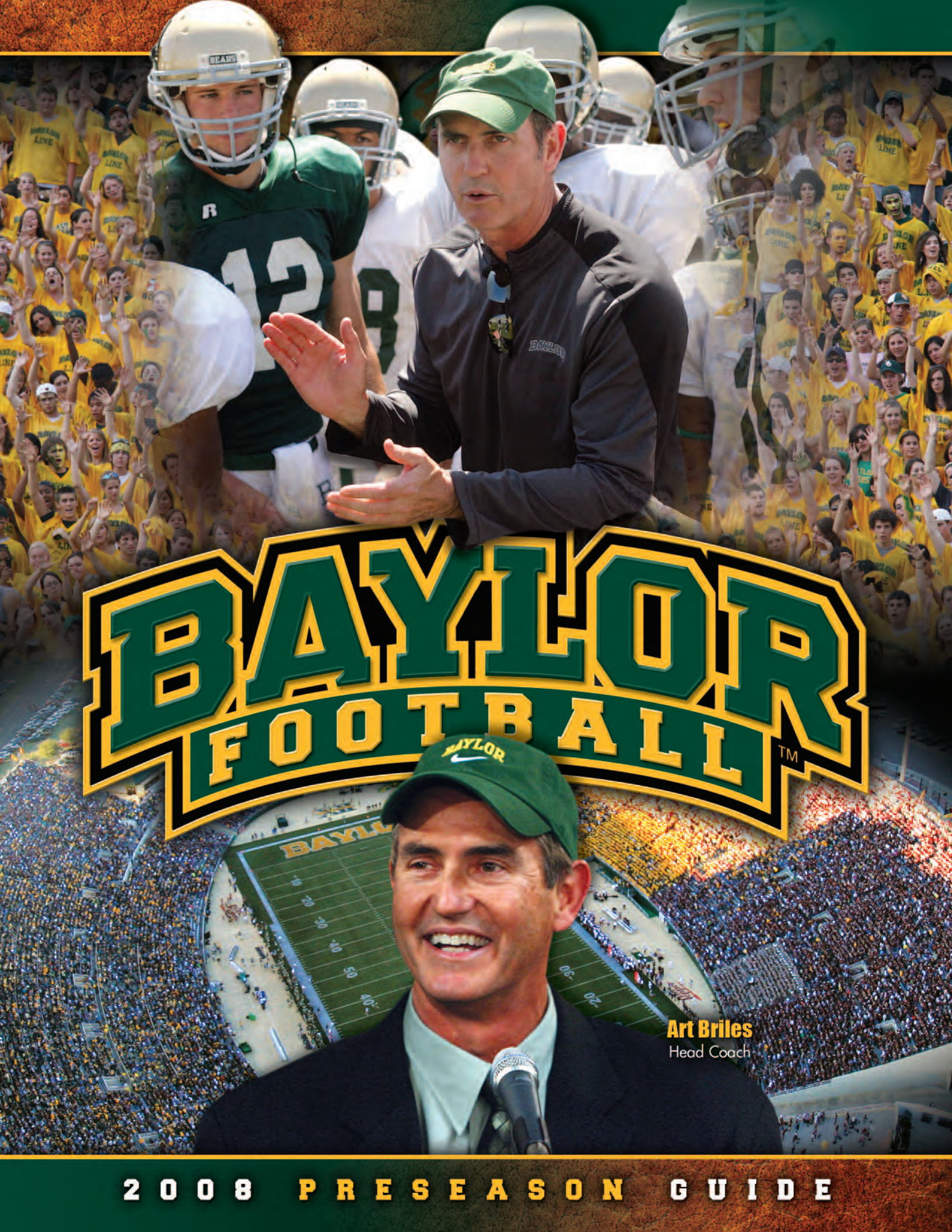

2008 PRESEASON GUIDE

2008 BAYLOR FOOTBALL

Post-Spring Preview

BAYLOR ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS

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General Information

Location: Waco, Texas
Chartered: 1845, by the Republic of Texas
Enrollment: 14,174
President: Dr. John Lilley
Faculty Representative: Michael Rodgers, J.D.
Director of Athletics: Ian McCaw
Nickname: Bears
Colors: Green & Gold
Stadium: Floyd Casey (50,000/1950)
Surface: Artificial (Prestige)
Conference: Big 12 (South)
First Year of Football: 1899
All-Time Football Record: 516-514-44 (.501)
Conference Titles (Last): 6 (1994)
Bowl Appearances (Last): 16 (1994)
2007 Record: 3-9, 0-8 Big 12 (South, 6th)
2007 Final Ranking: None
2007 Bowl Appearance: None
Offensive System: Spread
Defensive System: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 48 (21-o; 25-d; 2-sp)
Lettermen Lost: 20 (7-o; 11-d; 2-sp)
Athletic Department: 254.710.1234
Football Office: 254.710.3058
Ticket Office: 254.710.1000
Floyd Casey Press Box: 254.753.2961

Football Staff

Head Coach: Art Briles (Texas Tech, 1979)
Record at Baylor: first season
Career Record: 34-28 in five seasons
Co-Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line: Randy Clements
Co-Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs: Philip Montgomery
Defensive Coordinator: Brian Norwood
Recruiting Coordinator/Wide Receivers: Dino Babers
Defensive Tackles: Chris Achuff
Inside Receivers: Kendal Briles
Linebackers: Larry Hoefer
Cornerbacks: Kim McCloud
Defensive Ends: Theo Young
Graduate Assistant/Offense: Jeff Lebby
Graduate Assistant/Defense: Reid Heim
Director of Football Operations: Colin Shillinglaw
Assistant Director of Operations: Casey Horney
Assistant Director of Operations: Odell James
Assistant Director of Operations: Rafe Mata
Assistant Director of Operations: Beau Trahan
Strength & Conditioning: Kaz Kazadi
Associate Football Strength Coach: Chris Ruf
Assistant Football Strength Coach: Adam Davis
Graduate Assistant Strength Coach: Jeremy Weeks
Director of Sports Medicine: Mike Sims
Equipment Manager: Jeff Barlow
Video Coordinator: Michael Bolding

2008 Bears At A Glance

Returning Starters (17)

Offense (9):

OT Jason Smith***, 6-5, 298, Sr., Dallas, Texas (27 career starts); **OT** Dan Gay***, 6-5, 282, Sr., Lafayette, La. (22); **QB** Blake Szymanski**, 6-4, 204, Wichita Falls, Texas (13); **TE** Justin Akers**, 6-5, 235, Jr., Deer Park, Texas (12); **C** J.D. Walton*, 6-3, 299, Jr., Allen, Texas (12); **OG** James Barnard*, 6-4, 284, Overland Park, Kan. (12); **WR** David Gettis**, 6-4, 209, Jr., Los Angeles, Calif. (8); **WR** Ernest Smith**, 6-3, 183, Jr., New Orleans, La. (7); **TE** Brad Taylor*, 6-3, 233, So., Madisonville, Texas (6).

Defense (6):

DT Vincent Rhodes***, 6-2, 296, Sr., Denison, Texas (22); **LB** Joe Pawelek**, 6-2, 236, Jr., San Antonio, Texas (22); **CB** Dwain Crawford***, 6-0, 193, Sr., Giddings, Texas (20); **DE** Jason Lamb**, 6-6, 265, Jr., Richardson, Texas (20); **NT** Trey Bryant**, 6-3, 316, Jr., Dallas, Texas (12); **FS** Jordan Lake**, 6-2, 206, Jr., Houston, Texas (12).

Specialists (2):

PK Shea Brewster*, 6-0, 165, So., College Station, Texas; **P** Derek Epperson*, 6-3, 230, So., Southlake, Texas.

Starters Lost (7)

Offense (2):

OG Chad Smith (27 career starts); RB Brandon Whitaker (16).

Defense (5):

DE Geoff Nelson (22); **LB** Nick Moore (22); **CB** Alton Widemon (17); **SS** Brandon Stiggers (16); **CB** Josh Bell (12).

2007 Baylor Statistical Leaders (returnees in bold)

RUSHING	G-GS	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	LG	Avg/G
Whitaker, Brandon	12-10	102	533	45	488	4.8	2	57	40.7
Finley, Jay	**12-1**	**55**	**223**	**16**	**207**	**3.8**	**2**	**14**	**17.2**
Jones, Jacoby	**7-2**	**49**	**201**	**9**	**192**	**3.9**	**0**	**12**	**27.4**

PASSING	G-GS	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/G
Szymanski, Blake	**11-10**	**117.03**	**264-461-18**	**57.3**	**2844**	**22**	**75**	**258.5**
Machen, Michael	3-2	82.09	30-59-6	50.8	323	1	43	107.7

RECEIVING	G-GS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LG	Avg/G
Whitaker, Brandon	12-10	58	425	7.3	3	62	35.4
Akers, Justin	**12-10**	**43**	**426**	**9.9**	**4**	**24**	**35.5**
Taylor, Brad	**11-6**	**35**	**465**	**13.3**	**2**	**37**	**42.3**
White, Thomas	**9-1**	**34**	**475**	**14.0**	**8**	**75**	**52.8**
Gettis, David	**12-8**	**31**	**407**	**13.1**	**0**	**69**	**33.9**

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	UT	AT	Total	For Loss	No-Yards
Lake, Jordan	**12**	**67**	**53**	**120**	**1.0-1**	**0.0-0**
Pawelek, Joe	**12**	**40**	**59**	**99**	**8.0-25**	**2.0-12**
Moore, Nick	12	34	39	73	5.5-21	1.0-11
La Mar, Jake	**12**	**33**	**34**	**67**	**5.5-28**	**3.0-24**

2007 Baylor Results

3-9 Overall/0-8 Big 12

Date		Opponent	W/L	Score
Sept. 1		at TCU *NR-#22 CSTV*	L	0-27
Sept. 8		RICE	W	42-17
Sept. 15		TEXAS STATE	W	34-27
Sept. 22		at Buffalo	W	34-21
Sept. 29	•	at Texas A&M *Versus*	L	10-34
Oct. 6	•	COLORADO	L	23-43
Oct. 13	•	at Kansas *NR-#20*	L	10-58
Oct. 20	•	TEXAS *NR-#19 Versus*	L	10-31
Oct. 27	•	at Kansas State	L	13-51
Nov. 3	•	TEXAS TECH	L	7-38
Nov. 10	•	at Oklahoma *NR-#4 FSN*	L	21-52
Nov. 17	•	OKLAHOMA STATE *FSN*	L	14-45

• Big 12 Conference games.

2008 Baylor Schedule

Date		Opponent	Kickoff
Aug. 30		WAKE FOREST	TBA
Sept. 6		NORTHWESTERN STATE	TBA
Sept. 13		WASHINGTON STATE	TBA
Sept. 19		at UConn *ESPN2*	7 p.m. (CDT)
Oct. 4	•	OKLAHOMA	TBA
Oct. 11	•	IOWA STATE (PD)	TBA
Oct. 18	•	at Oklahoma State	TBA
Oct. 25	•	at Nebraska	TBA
Nov. 1	•	MISSOURI (HC)	TBA
Nov. 8	•	at Texas	TBA
Nov. 15	•	TEXAS A&M	TBA
Nov. 29	•	at Texas Tech	TBA

PD-Parents' Day; HC-Homecoming
• Big 12 Conference games.

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Interview requests for Art Briles should be made through Associate AD/External Affairs **Nick Joos**. Those interviews will be conducted at a mutally agreeable time.

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Please contact Baylor Athletic Media Relations (254-710-2743) should you have any questions.

SPRING PRACTICE COVERAGE

Baylor's spring practices are open to both the media and public, unless otherwise announced by the football staff. Interviews will be conducted at the end of each workout, provided the AMR office has been notified of the request at least 24 hours in advance.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS

All player interviews must be requested through the Baylor Athletic Media Relations office. Please coordinate all requests with the Baylor Athletic Media Relations office.

PRACTICE COVERAGE

Baylor's practices are open to the media. Shooting of video and still photos is limited to the first 20 minutes of each practice.

Tentative Fall Schedule

July 21-23--Big 12 Media Days (Kansas City, Mo.)
Aug. 3--Players report to campus for fall camp
Aug. 4--First practice of fall camp
Aug. 25--First day of classes at Baylor
Aug. 30--Season opener vs. Wake Forest

Briles' Bears Conclude Spring Practice

A new era in Baylor football was ushered in Nov. 28, 2007, when **Art Briles** was introduced as the Bears' 25th head coach. A native Texan who has spent his entire life in the Lone Star state, Briles came to Waco following a highly successful five-year tenure as head coach at the University of Houston where he guided the Cougars to four bowl games and a 34-28 record.

The Bears completed spring workouts April 5 with a controlled scrimmage and Briles was pleased with what his team accomplished during its 15 practices.

"Our spring went well," Briles said. "We had a lot of personnel to look at and a lot of schemes to get in on both sides of the ball. But our guys did a great job. They're a hungry football team, they're an eager football team and we're anxious to get them on the field in the fall. We think we had a real productive spring."

Baylor returns 48 lettermen, including 17 starters from last year's team which went 3-9 overall and 0-8 in the Big 12. All-told, the Bears return nine starters on offense, six on defense as well as their first-team place-kicker and punter.

"Like I've said from Day 1, the first thing we have to do is earn respect," Briles said. "When people talk about Baylor football, it needs to be in a respectful manner. Then we have got to be credible on the field. We've got to put our wares out there on the field, turn them loose, and it needs to be a productive system that's out there. So that's the stages that we're at and that's what we're working on."

Baylor opens its 2008 season Aug. 30 at home against 2007 Meineke Bowl champion Wake Forest.

2008 Baylor Spring Preview

Offensively, the Bears return nine starters from last year's unit which averaged 351.2 yards per game, Baylor's highest mark since 1995 (383.3 ypg). Baylor must replace running back **Brandon Whitaker,** who led the Bears in both rushing (40.7 ypg) and receiving (58-425), as well as offensive guard **Chad Smith,** a two-year starter along the o-line.

Most of the attention during sping pratice was focused on the quarterback battle between senior **Kirby Freeman,** a transfer from Miami, Fla., who has one season of eligibility remaining, junior **Blake Szymanski,** a 10-game starter for the Bears a year ago, and true freshman **Robert Griffin,** who graduated from Copperas Cove [Texas] High School in December 2007 and went through spring ball with the Bears. The trio emerged from spring ball sharing the top line on the depth chart and figure to be pushed by incoming junior college transfer **Jeremy Sanders** during fall camp.

"They're all really good. We can win with them," Briles said of the quarterbacks. "I thought all the quarterbacks played really well. I'm proud of the way they led through the spring. All three of those guys are good players, really good players."

Baylor's offensive line, which allowed just 21 sacks last year (the program's fewest since 1995), returns four starters--fifth-year senior **Jason Smith** at right tackle, fifth-year senior **Dan Gay** at left tackle, as well as a pair of juniors who started every game a year ago in center **J.D. Walton** and right guard **James Barnard.** Jason Smith has more career starts (27) than any returning Baylor player on either side of the ball.

"The o-line's got to be a strength for us from an offensive standpoint, because however good they are up front is however good we're going to be offensively," Briles said. "Those guys (Jason Smith, J.D. Walton and Dan Gay) are going to be the heart and soul of our offense, because as they go, we go as an offense. We've got some guys that should be all-conference and maybe even All-Americans in some instances."

At running back, sophomore **Jay Finley** emerged from spring ball No. 1 on the depth chart with fifth-year senior **Jacoby Jones** and senior **Ray Sims,** a converted safety, sharing the No. 2 line. Finley and Jones averaged 17.2 ypg and 27.4 ypg, respectively a year ago, while Sims returns to a position he played in high school.

"I thought Jay (Finley) and Jacoby (Jones) ran extremely tough," Briles said. "And that's what we need. Jacoby was hurt early, so he just came on there at the end. But they both fought hard for yards, protected the ball. So that's a good sign. Ray (Sims) will be in the mix. Ray's a tough guy, too. He's got good feet. We'll be fine there."

The Bears also return eight of their top nine receivers from a year ago, including four of five players who caught at least 30 balls in 2007--**TE Justin Akers** (43-426), **TE Brad Taylor** (35-465), **IR Thomas White** (34-475) and **WR David Gettis** (31-407).

"We had a couple injuries with **Ernest (Smith)** and **Mikail (Baker),** so those guys didn't get to finish the spring, which hurt them a little bit," Briles said. "They were learning how to play fast. And that's the thing we stressed was playing fast, playing fast. And they're getting that. I thought David Gettis improved tremendously through the spring. I thought he became more polished at the end of spring. And those other guys were productive."

After playing a 4-2-5 defense the past five years, Baylor has switched to a 4-3 look in 2008 with the arrival of new defensive coordinator **Brian Norwood** from Penn State. The Bears return six starters from a year ago, including their top two tacklers in junior **FS Jordan Lake** and junior **LB Joe Pawelek,** who had 120 and 99 tackles, respectively, a year ago.

"I thought their effort and attitude was outstanding," Briles said of the Bears' defenders. "We're still tinkering with a few positions and making sure we've got the right guys in the right spots. But that will take care of itself."

Three of Baylor's returning defensive starters are along the line in senior **DT Vincent Rhodes, NT Trey Bryant** and **DE Jason Lamb,** a trio who started every game in 2007. **DE Leon Freeman,** who led the 2007 Bears in tackles for loss with 9.5 stops behind the line, is the odds on favorite to start opposite Lamb.

"We need for all those guys up front to be men," Briles said. "They've just got to man up, because we don't have a lot of depth there. But if I was a player, I'd be happy, because it would mean I'd get to play a lot. So they've got to man up and play and they've got to prepare their bodies and get themselves ready for football-related war. But Jason (Lamb) had a great spring. Jason's a big body that has got quick twitch. Vincent Rhodes needs to be the most dominant d-lineman Baylor's had in the last decade. That's the way he needs to approach his season. Trey Bryant is a guy that could be a difference-maker for us. A big guy that's quick twitch."

Pawelek leads a young but talented linebacking corps that must replace two-year starter **Nick Moore.** Junior **Antonio Jones** and sophomores **Antonio Johnson,** a converted defensive end, **Chris Francis** and **Earl Patin,** a pair of All-Big 12 freshman selections a year ago, help make this one of the squad's deepest positions.

"I think they need to be a force defensively," Briles said of the Baylor linebackers. "I think we've got great depth. It should be the strength of our defense. We're two-deep. I think we've got six guys that can play."

Baylor lost its two starting cornerbacks a year ago, **Josh Bell** and **Alton Widemon,** to graduation. Fifth-year senior **Dwain Crawford** played rover a year ago and ranked No. 8 on the squad in tackles (48) despite misssing three gamesdue to injury, but he's moved to cornerback for his final Green & Gold campaign. Sophomore **Krys Buerck,** who made six starts at wide receiver a year ago, moved to corner prior to spring practice and came out No. 1 on the depth chart opposite Crawford.

Lake, a consensus second-team All-Big 12 pick in 2007 missed all of spring practice recovering from off-season shoul-

der surgery, which gave senior **Jake La Mar,** an honorable mention All-Big 12 selection a year ago at rover, an opportunity at safety and he shares the top line on the depth chart with Lake. Junior **Jeremy Williams,** who started four games a year ago at outside safety, is listed No. 1 opposite Lake and La Mar.

"In the secondary, our objective is to rate our top five guys and get them on the field," said Briles. "That's our objective, regardless of position. Safety, corner, nickel back, whatever. Strong safety, free safety. Who's the five best? Let's get them on the field. And that's what we're trying to get to. I think those guys had a good spring."

Sophomore **Derek Epperson,** who averaged 39.1 yards per punt as a true freshman en route to a spot on *The Sporting News'* Big 12 All-Freshman team, returns for his second year as Baylor's punter, while sophomore **Shea Brewster,** who split the Bears' place-kicking chores a year ago as a true freshman, is also back.

"I feel real good about the kicking game," Briles said. "I thought (Shea) Brewster had a great spring and (Derek) Epperson did a great job. And then our snapper, **Carter (Brunelle).** Those guys performed at the level they have to perform at."

When fall camp opens in August, Briles expects to see a different looking football team.

"I think they'll be entirely different August 1 than they were April 1," he said. "I expect them to be stronger and carry their body weight better, so that they can add weight but good body weight. And then mentally and physically be a machine. They've got to make their body a machine and let their mind control it."

Coaching Staff Features New Faces

Eight of Baylor's nine assistant coaches are new to the program, as linebackers coach **Larry Hoefer** is the lone returnee from the previous staff.

While head coach Art Briles calls his own plays, his offensive staff includes co-coordinators **Randy Clements (line)** and **Philip Montgomery (quarterbacks/running backs),** both of whohom served on Briles' staff at Houston. **Dino Babers** coaches the outside receivers and serves as recruiting coordinator, while **Kendal Briles** directs the inside receivers.

Defensive coordinator **Brian Norwood,** who joined the Baylor staff after spending the past seven years working as an assistant on Hall of Fame coach Joe Paterno's Penn State staff, will lead a staff that includes **Chris Achuff (tackles), Kim McCloud (cornerbacks), Theo Young (ends)** and Hoefer.

Trading Places

Notable position changes that took place during spring ball included the movement of senior **John David Weed** (from quarterback to inside receiver), junior **Mikail Baker** (from wide receiver to inside receiver), sophomore **Krys Buerck** (from wide receiver to cornerback), sophomore **Antonio Johnson** (from defensive end to linebacker), sophomore **V.J. McElroy** (from cornerback to inside receiver), junior **Sam Sledge** (from offensive line to defensive line), redshirt freshman **Matt Singletary** (from defensive end to inside receiver), senior **Ray Sims** (from outside safety to running back), senior **Dwain Crawford** (from rover to cornerback) and redshirt freshman **Elliot Coffey** (from safety to linebacker). Nine of those 10 are listed either first or second on the post-spring depth chart with five players--Weed, Baker, Buerck, Johnson and Crawford--listed No. 1 at their new positions.

Another Tough Schedule On Tap For 2008 Bears

After playing eight of 12 games a year ago against teams that went on to earn bowl invitations, Baylor will face eight bowl teams in 2008, including six of its eight Big 12 opponents. Over the last five seasons, 32 of the Bears' 40 Big 12 Conference games have been against teams that ended their season in a bowl game.

Baylor's 12 2008 opponents combined for a 91-69 (.569) record a year ago and eight received bowl bids--Wake Forest (Meinike champion), UConn (Meinike), Oklahoma (Fiesta), Oklahoma State (Insight champion), Missouri (Cotton champion), Texas (Holiday champion), Texas A&M (Alamo) and Texas Tech (Gator champion). Baylor's eight 2008 Big 12 foes went 64-40 (.615) a year ago and recorded four of the league's five bowl wins.

The Bears open the Art Briles-era with three consecutive home games as Wake Forest (Aug. 30), Northwestern State (Sept. 6) and Washington State (Sept. 13) visit Floyd Casey Stadium before Baylor completes non-conference play with a Sept. 19 game at UConn that will be televised nationally on ESPN2. All-told, Baylor will play seven home games at Floyd Casey Stadium, as it opens Big 12 play with home contests against Oklahoma (Oct. 4) and Iowa State (Oct. 11), followed by home tilts against Missouri (Nov. 1) and Texas A&M (Nov. 15). The Bears' league road games are at Oklahoma State (Oct. 18), Nebraska (Oct. 25), Texas (Nov. 8) and Texas Tech (Nov. 29).

Baylor plays three consecutive home games to open a season for the first time since 1992 and enjoys a seven-game home slate for just the sixth time since Floyd Casey Stadium opened its gates in 1950.

Maximum Protection

Baylor returns four starters from an offensive line which yielded just 21 sacks a year ago (on a school-record 561 pass attempts), the program's fewest since 1995. Three times last year the o-line did not allow a sack in a game and it went consecutive games (at Texas A&M, Colorado) without allowing a sack for the first time since a three-game run late in the 1995 campaign (at Miami, at SMU, Rice).

From 1998 through 2006, Baylor quarterbacks were sacked 328 times in 113 games (2.9 per game), allowing at least 25 sacks each season and a high of 52 sacks in a 12-game 2002 schedule. In 2007, the Bears allowed only 1.8 sacks per game. More impressively, the Bears' quarterbacks were sacked once every 11.3 pass attempts from 1998 through 2006; but in 2007, they were sacked once every 26.7 pass attempts.

A pair of fifth-year senior tackles who began their Baylor careers at different positions, **Jason Smith** and **Dan Gay,** anchor the Bears' line on the left and right side, respectively. Junior center **J.D. Walton** and junior right guard **James Barnard** also return after both started every game a year ago. Gay, Walton and Barnard all started every game along the line a year ago for the Bears, while Smith drew seven starts despite battling a knee injury and has more career starts (27) than any active Baylor player on either side of the ball.

Let's Go To The Lake

Junior free safety **Jordan Lake,** a consensus second-team All-Big 12 performer as a sophomore in 2007, missed all of spring practice while recovering from off-season shoulder surgery, but he's expected to be full-speed when fall camp opens in August and should contend for All-America honors in his final two seasons at Baylor. Lake registered six double-digit tackle games a year ago and finished the season with 120 total tackles, the most by a Baylor player since Maurice Lane's 129 tackles in 2003.

He ranked third in the Big 12 (No. 1 among defensive backs) and No. 30 nationally with 10.0 tackles per game a year ago. Lake had a hand in six of the 19 turnovers the Baylor defense created a year ago, as he picked off a pair of passes, recovered two fumbles and forced a pair of fumbles in 12 starts.

Pawelek Looks To Build On Outstanding Underclass Years

After establishing himself as one of the Big 12's top linebackers as a freshman and sophomore, junior **Joe Pawelek** is also a Baylor All-America candidate both in the classroom and on the field. Pawelek earned second-team All-Big 12 honors from several media outlets as a sophomore when he ranked second on the team in tackles with 99 stops. Pawelek also added 8.0 tackles behind the line to rank second on the squad.

With 22 career starts to his credit, Pawelek has the most starts of any returning Baylor defender and the second-most (along with Dan Gay) among any BU returnee. In just two seasons, he's totaled 185 tackles in 24 games and needs just 132 stops to crack the Bears' all-time top 10; 33 assisted stops to reach Baylor's top 10 in that category, too.

Baylor Notepad

Junior QB **Blake Szymanski** established Baylor single-season records for touchdown passes (22), pass attempts (461), completions (264), passing yards (2,844), total-offense attempts (522), total-offense yards (2,942) and touchdowns responsible for (23) in 11 games (10 starts) a year ago ... Baylor had five receivers register at least 30 receptions in the same season for the first time ever and four of those players return in 2008 ... Sixteen different Bears tallied at least one reception a year ago ... Senior IR **Thomas White** led Baylor in scoring with 48 points a year ago, the first time a non-kicker led the Bears in that category since 2002 and the first time a receiver led the club since 2001 ... Baylor averaged 36.7 points in its three wins a year ago and just 12.0 points in its nine setbacks ... On the flip side, the Bears yielded just 21.7 points in their three wins and 42.1 in their setbacks ... Baylor has won 14 of its last 19 games when scoring 24 or more points ... Baylor averaged 351.2 total-offense yards per game a year ago, its highest mark since 1995, and established school season records for passing yards (3,281), completions (309), attempts (561), while ranking No. 2 in both touchdown passes (23) and passing yards per game (273.4) ... Baylor returns six of its top 10 tacklers from a year ago, including three of its top five in junior FS **Jordan Lake** (No. 1, 120), junior LB **Joe Pawelek** (No. 2, 99) and senior FS **Jake La Mar** (No. 5, 67).

The Briles File

PERSONAL
BORN: Dec. 3, 1955
HIGH SCHOOL: Rule [Texas] High School
COLLEGE:
Texas Tech, 1979 (B.A.); Abilene Christian, 1984 (M.E.)
WIFE: Jan
CHILDREN: Jancy, Kendal and Staley

PLAYING EXPERIENCE
Rule (Texas) High School, All-State Quarterback
University of Houston, Wide Receiver

COACHING EXPERIENCE
2007: Baylor, head coach
2003-07: Houston, head coach
2000-03: Texas Tech, running backs
1988-99: Stephenville (Texas) H.S., head coach/athletic director
1986-87: Georgetown (Texas) H.S., head coach/athletic director
1984-85: Hamlin (Texas) H.S., head coach/athletic director
1980-83: Sweetwater (Texas) H.S., assistant coach
1979: Sundown (Texas) H.S., assistant coach

DIVISION I-A POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE
2007 Texas Bowl (*head coach)
2006 AutoZone Liberty Bowl (head coach)
2004 Fort Worth Bowl (head coach)
2003 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl (head coach)
2002 Tangerine Bowl (assistant coach)
2001 Alamo Bowl (assistant coach)
2000 Galleryfurniture Bowl (assistant coach)
1977 Cotton Bowl (student-athlete)
*did not coach in bowl game

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THE BRILES WORKSHEET

YEAR	SCHOOL	RECORD	CONFERENCE
2003	Houston	#7-6	4-4
2004	Houston	3-8	3-5
2005	Houston	$6-6	4-4
2006	Houston	^10-4	7-1
2007	Houston	@8-4	6-2
TOTALS	**Five Years**	**34-28**	**24-16**

#-Hawai'i Bowl
$-Fort Worth Bowl
^-Liberty Bowl
@-Texas Bowl

Head Coach Art Briles

Art Briles, a native West Texan who resurrected the University of Houston's football program during his five seasons along the Cougars' sideline, was introduced as Baylor University's 25th head football coach Nov. 28, 2007.

"My charge to Director of Athletics Ian McCaw was to locate a championship caliber head football coach who embraced Baylor's Christian mission, and could lead, inspire and win with integrity," said Baylor President Dr. John M. Lilley. "Ian has done an outstanding job and brings forward in Art Briles a person who can begin a new era for Baylor University football."

Briles, who inherited a Houston program that was just two years removed from an 0-11 season and won just eight games from 2000 to 2003, posted a 34-28 record with the Cougars and guided them to four bowl games. He ranks as the program's third-winningest head coach behind College Football Hall of Famer Bill Yeoman (160 wins in 26 seasons from 1962-86) and Clyde Lee (37 victories in seven season from 1948-54).

"Art Briles embodies all of the qualities that we seek in our head football coach," said McCaw. "He is a Godly man who believes in the institution's Christian mission and demonstrates great personal character, integrity and commitment to education.

"Coach Briles is regarded as one of the top head coaches and offensive minds in college football as evidenced by Houston's record-setting offense," he added. "He is a relentless recruiter who may have as strong a set of recruiting contacts in the State of Texas as any coach in the country. Finally, he is a genuine and engaging person who will relate well to the Baylor family and generate enthusiasm around our football program."

Briles guided Houston to an 8-4 regular-season record in his final season along the Cougar sideline and a Texas Bowl invitation (he did not coach the Cougars in the bowl game). Coupled with their 10-win 2006 campaign, the Cougars registered consecutive seasons of at least eight victories for the first time since the 1989 (9) and 1990 (10) campaigns. The 2007 Cougars ranked fourth nationally in total offense (501.9 ypg) and made college football history by becoming the first program to produce a 300-yard receiver and a 200-yard rusher in the same game. Houston wide receiver Donnie Avery was taken in the second round of the 2008 NFL Draft marking the second straight year a Cougar was tabbed early in the draft.

In 2006, Briles earned Conference USA and Sportexe Division I-A National Coach of the Year honors after guiding the Cougars to a Conference USA title, a Liberty Bowl appearance and the program's first 10-win season since 1990 with a final mark of 10-4.

The Cougars enjoyed the nation's seventh-best turnaround in 2006, a four-game improvement in the win column over their 6-6 mark in 2005. Houston's 2006 C-USA title, just five years removed from a winless 2001 campaign, marked only the fifth time in the past 30 seasons that a I-A program went from winless to conference champions.

One of nine finalists for the 2006 Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year award, Briles' offense led Conference USA and ranked sixth nationally at 439.9 yards per game. Cougar quarterback Kevin Kolb was Conference USA's consensus 2006 Offensive Player of the Year, as 13 Houston student-athletes earned postseason honors from the media and 12 were honored by the league's coaches. Kolb finished his career ranked third on the NCAA's all-time total-offense chart and fourth in passing passing yards.

Briles' 2005 Cougar team finished 6-6 overall, led Conference USA in total offense and played in the Fort Worth Bowl, while his 2004 squad was 3-8.

His rookie season at UH saw the Cougars make school history; as they finished 7-6 and earned a berth in the 2003 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl. He became just the second UH head coach to take Houston to a bowl game in his first season at the helm, joining Yeoman, his college coach. Briles' innovative offense produced a 1,000-yard rusher (Anthony Evans), a 1,000-yard receiver (Brandon Middleton) and a 3,000-yard passer (Kolb)--one of only five Division I-A teams to post such outstanding performers.

Briles returned to Houston as head coach from Texas Tech University, where he spent three years (2000-02) as the Red Raiders' running backs coach. The Tech ground game flourished under Briles' direction, increasing its production every year and producing a 2001 first-team All-Big 12 performer in Ricky Williams. The Red Raiders won seven or more games each year Briles was on Mike Leach's staff and went bowling every year.

Prior to moving into the collegiate coaching ranks at Texas Tech, Briles spent 12 seasons (1988-99) as head coach and athletic director at Stephenville [Texas] High School. His Yellowjacket teams won four state championships, capturing back-to-back crowns in 1993 and 1994 and repeating that feat in 1998 and 1999. In 1998, Stephenville posted a then-national record 8,650 total-offense yards and still holds the third and fourth positions on the all-time national lists. In a remarkable six-year run, his Yellowjacket teams went 90-2-1.

Briles, a former Texas High School Coaches Association president, has spent his entire coaching career in the state of Texas. Following in his father's footsteps, Briles began his coaching career as an assistant at Sundown [Texas] High School in 1979 before moving to Sweetwater [Texas] High School as an assistant from 1980-83. He landed his first head coaching job at Hamlin [Texas] High School (1984-86), where he also served as athletic director.

From Hamlin, Briles went to Georgetown [Texas] High School as head coach and athletic director for two seasons (1986-87) before moving to Stephenville in 1988. While coaching in the high school ranks, Briles developed six Division I quarterbacks and had five signal callers throw for over 3,000 yards in a season.

A former wide receiver at the University of Houston from 1974 to 1977, Briles was a member of the 1976 Cougar squad that captured the Southwest Conference championship in UH's first season in the league. He later played in the 1977 Cotton Bowl against fifth-ranked Maryland, a game the Cougars won 30-21. Briles received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas Tech in 1979 and a Masters of Education degree from Abilene Christian in 1984.

A recent inductee into the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame for his West Texas exploits, Briles and his wife, Jan, have three children: Jancy, a graduate of the University of Houston who now works in the Dallas Cowboys Public Relations office; Kendal, a former Cougar quarterback and wide receiver (2004-05) and University of Houston graduate who serves as an assistant coach on his father's Baylor staff; and Staley, a senior at UH.

Briles will be inducted into the Texas High School Hall of Fame in May 2008.

2008 Baylor Spring Depth Chart

OFFENSE

WIDE RECEIVER
4 David Gettis, 6-4, 209, Jr., Los Angeles, Calif. [8/8]**
11 Luke La Mar, 6-2, 191, So., Bedford, Texas

LEFT TACKLE
72 Jason Smith*, 6-5, 298, Sr., Dallas, Texas [7/27]**
75 Jordan Hearvey*, 6-4, 280, Jr., Richardson, Texas [6/6] -or-
67 Joe Korbel, 6-5, 282, Fr.-RS, San Antonio, Texas

LEFT GUARD
78 Chris Griesenbeck*, 6-6, 262, Jr., San Antonio, Texas
65 Courtney Green, 6-4, 280, Fr.-RS, Corsicana, Texas

CENTER
55 J.D. Walton*, 6-3, 299, Jr., Allen, Texas [12/12]
66 Hunter Hightower, 6-5, 269, Fr.-RS, Richardson, Texas

RIGHT GUARD
61 James Barnard*, 6-4, 284, Jr., Overland Park, Kan. [12/12]
63 John Jones, 6-5, 302, Fr.-RS, Cedar Hill, Texas

RIGHT TACKLE
71 Dan Gay*, 6-5, 282, Sr., Lafayette, La. [12/22]**
76 Larry Bradley, 6-5, 289, Fr.-RS, Miami, Fla.

TIGHT END
14 Justin Akers, 6-5, 235, Jr., Deer Park, Texas [11/13]**
18 Brad Taylor*, 6-3, 233, So., Madisonville, Texas [6/6]

QUARTERBACK
10 Robert Griffin, 6-3, 203, Fr., Copperas Cove, Texas -or-
7 Kirby Freeman, 6-3, 206, Sr., Brownwood, Texas -or-
6 Blake Szymanski, 6-4, 204, Jr., Wichita Falls, Texas [10/13]**

RUNNING BACK
32 Jay Finley*, 5-11, 202, So., Corsicana, Texas [1/1]
25 Jacoby Jones**, 5-11, 224, Sr., Bangs, Texas [1/1] -or-
19 Ray Sims*, 6-0, 210, Sr., Corsicana, Texas

WIDE RECEIVER
13 Ernest Smith, 6-3, 183, Jr., New Orleans, La. [7/8] -or-**
81 Kyle Mitchell, 6-2, 218, Jr.-SQ, Denver, Colo.

INSIDE RECEIVER
3 Thomas White**, 6-2, 205, Sr., Plano, Texas [1/6]
23 Justin Fenty**, 5-10, 172, Jr., Denton, Texas [2/5]

INSIDE RECEIVER
5 Mikail Baker**, 6-0, 195, Jr., Dallas, Texas [2/3]
80 Romie Blaylock, 5-11, 175, Fr.-HS, Cedar Hill, Texas

BIG SLOT
17 John David Weed, 6-5, 229, Sr.-SQ, Houston, Texas
24 Matt Singletary, 6-4, 243, Fr.-RS, San Jose, Calif.

PLACE-KICKER
43 Shea Brewster*, 6-0, 165, So., College Station, Texas

DEFENSE

END
49 Leon Freeman*, 6-2, 241, Sr., Vero Beach, Fla. [1/1]
10 Jameon Hardeman, 6-1, 233, So.-SQ, Dallas, Texas

TACKLE
91 Vincent Rhodes*, 6-2, 296, Sr., Denison, Texas [12/22]**
60 Sam Sledge**, 6-2, 266, Jr., Midland, Texas

NOSE
97 Trey Bryant, 6-3, 316, Jr., Dallas, Texas [12/12]**
90 Nicolas Jean-Baptiste, 6-2, 317, Fr.-RS, Stafford, Texas

END
88 Jason Lamb, 6-6, 265, Jr., Richardson, Texas [12/20]**
96 Zac Scotton, 6-6, 254, Fr.-RS, Houston, Texas

SAM
8 Antonio Jones**, 6-2, 226, Jr., Dallas, Texas [0/3]
33 Earl Patin*, 6-2, 222, So., Baton Rouge, La.

BACKER
41 Joe Pawelek, 6-3, 236, Jr., San Antonio, Texas [12/22]**
36 Chris Francis*, 5-11, 229, So., Cedar Hill, Texas

FRITZ
45 Antonio Johnson*, 6-1, 205, So., Waco, Texas
37 Elliot Coffey, 6-0, 208, Fr.-RS, Sugar Land, Texas

CORNERBACK
1 Dwain Crawford*, 6-0, 193, Sr., Giddings, Texas [9/20]**
26 Antareis Bryan*, 6-1, 186, So., Dallas, Texas -or-
27 Dominique Criss*, 5-9, 181, So., Arlington, Texas

FREE SAFETY
21 Jordan Lake, 6-2, 206, Jr., Houston, Texas [12/12] -or-**
12 Jake La Mar***, 6-0, 193, Sr., Bedford, Texas [3/3]
30 Tim Atchison*, 6-2, 200, So., Copperas Cove, Texas

HERO
4 Jeremy Williams**, 5-10, 206, Jr., Dallas, Texas [4/4]
11 Marlon Price***, 6-2, 194, Sr., Dallas, Texas [1/1]

CORNERBACK
16 Krys Buerck*, 6-1, 179, So., Mesquite, Texas [6/6]
29 Cliff Odom*, 5-11, 186, So., Arlington, Texas

DEEP SNAPPER
54 Carter Brunelle, 6-2, 225, Jr.-SQ, Duluth, Ga.
59 Casey Cooper, 6-2, 213, Jr., Abbott, Texas

PUNTER
38 Derek Epperson*, 6-3, 230, So., Southlake, Texas
43 Shea Brewster*, 6-0, 165, So., College Station, Texas

* - denotes letters earned; 2007/career starts listed in [].

As of May 12, 2008.

Numerical Roster

No	Player, Position
1	Dwain Crawford, CB
3	Thomas White, IR
4	David Gettis, WR
4	Jeremy Williams, S
5	Mikail Baker, IR
6	Blake Szymanski, QB
7	Kirby Freeman, QB
8	Antonio Jones, LB
8	Ryan Roberts, QB
10	Robert Griffin, QB
10	Jameon Hardeman, DE
11	Luke La Mar, WR
11	Marlon Price, S
12	Tyler Beatty, QB
12	Jake La Mar, FS
13	Ernest Smith, WR
14	Justin Akers, TE
16	Tyler DeLoach, WR
16	Krys Buerck, CB
17	John David Weed, IR
17	Alex Kushneir, CB
18	Brad Taylor, TE
18	Drew Kerr, CB
19	Joe Bennett, IR
19	Ray Sims, RB
20	Patrick Swindle, CB
21	Jordan Lake, FS
21	Travis McClain, WR
22	Andre Pierce, RB
23	Justin Fenty, IR
23	Zak Mitchell, S
24	Matt Singletary, IR
25	Jacoby Jones, RB
26	Antareis Bryan, CB
27	Dominique Criss, CB
27	Bryan Swindoll, IR
28	Tony Anderson, RB
28	D'Kendrick Washington, S
29	Cliff Odom, CB
29	Chad Traxler, WR
30	Tim Atchison, FS
31	Ahmad Jenkins, CB
32	Jay Finley, RB
33	Earl Patin, LB
34	Ben Hixson, LB
36	Chris Francis, LB
37	Elliot Coffey, LB
38	Derek Epperson, P
39	V.J. McElroy, IR
41	Joe Pawelek, LB
43	Shea Brewster, PK
43	Andrew Judy, DE
45	Antonio Johnson, LB
46	Chad Lowe, LB
47	Larry Washington, RB
48	Tyler King, LB
49	Leon Freeman, DE
50	Sam Shalala, LB
51	Adam Geib, DE
52	Ty Findley, LB
54	Carter Brunelle, DS
55	J.D. Walton, C
56	Chris Susi, DE
59	Casey Cooper, DS
60	Sam Sledge, DT
61	James Barnard, OG
63	John Jones, OG
65	Courtney Green, OG
66	Hunter Hightower, C
67	Joe Korbel, OT

Alphabetical Roster

No	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)
14	Justin Akers	TE	6-5	235	*Jr.	2L	Deer Park, Texas (Deer Park)
28	Tony Anderson	RB	6-2	230	*Jr.	SQ	Arlington, Texas (Arlington/Southeast Missouri State)
30	Tim Atchison	FS	6-2	200	*So.	1L	Copperas Cove, Texas (Copperas Cove)
5	Mikail Baker	IR	6-0	195	*Jr.	2L	Dallas, Texas (Skyline)
61	James Barnard	OG	6-4	284	*Jr.	1L	Overland Park, Kan. (Shawnee Mission South/Coffeyville CC)
12	Tyler Beatty	QB	6-3	205	*So.	1L	Pflugerville, Texas (Pflugerville)
92	Dexter Beck	DE	6-2	259	*Jr.	TR	Prairie View, Texas (Waller/Trinity Valley CC)
19	Joe Bennett	IR	5-7	172	*Sr.	SQ	Arlington, Texas (Lamar)
80	Romie Blaylock	IR	5-11	175	Fr.	HS	Cedar Hill, Texas (Cedar Hill)
74	Thad Boatner	OT	6-7	292	*Jr.	1L	Hamilton, Texas (Hamilton)
76	Larry Bradley	OT	6-5	289	*Fr.	RS	Miami, Fla. (Palmetto)
43	Shea Brewster	PK	6-0	165	So.	1L	College Station, Texas (A&M Consolidated)
54	Carter Brunelle	DS	6-2	225	*Jr.	SQ	Duluth, Ga. (Wesleyan School)
26	Antareis Bryan	CB	6-1	186	*So.	1L	Dallas, Texas (Carter)
97	Trey Bryant	NT	6-3	316	*Jr.	2L	Dallas, Texas (L.V. Berkner)
16	Krys Buerck	CB	6-1	179	So.	1L	Mesquite, Texas (Mesquite)
94	Chris Buford	DT	6-4	263	*So.	1L	Arlington, Texas (Bowie)
37	Elliot Coffey	LB	6-0	208	*Fr.	RS	Sugar Land, Texas (Clements)
59	Casey Cooper	DS	6-2	213	*Jr.	SQ	Abbott, Texas (Abbott/Alabama)
1	Dwain Crawford	CB	6-0	193	*Sr.	3L	Giddings, Texas (Giddings)
27	Dominique Criss	CB	5-9	181	*So.	1L	Arlington, Texas (Bowie)
16	Tyler DeLoach	WR	6-4	187	*So.	SQ	Coppell, Texas (Coppell)
98	Ryan Douglass	DE	6-3	263	*Fr.	RS	Leander, Texas (Leander)
38	Derek Epperson	P	6-3	230	So.	1L	Southlake, Texas (Keller)
23	Justin Fenty	IR	5-10	172	Jr.	2L	Denton, Texas (Ryan)
52	Ty Findley	LB	6-0	214	*Sr.	1L	Marshall, Texas (Elysian Fields)
32	Jay Finley	RB	5-11	202	*So.	1L	Corsicana, Texas (Corsicana)
36	Chris Francis	LB	5-11	229	So.	1L	Cedar Hill, Texas (Cedar Hill)
7	Kirby Freeman	QB	6-3	206	*Sr.	TR	Brownwood, Texas (Brownwood/Miami, Fla.)
49	Leon Freeman	DE	6-2	241	Sr.	1L	Vero Beach, Fla. (Vero Beach/Mesa CC)
71	Dan Gay	OT	6-5	282	*Sr.	3L	Lafayette, La. (St. Thomas More)
51	Adam Geib	DE	6-5	247	*Sr.	SQ	Waco, Texas (Midway/Air Force Academy)
4	David Gettis	WR	6-4	209	Jr.	2L	Los Angeles, Calif. (Dorsey)
65	Courtney Green	OG	6-4	280	*Fr.	RS	Corsicana, Texas (Corsicana)
78	Chris Griesenbeck	OG	6-6	262	*Jr.	1L	San Antonio, Texas (Robert E. Lee)
10	Robert Griffin	QB	6-3	203	Fr.	HS	Copperas Cove, Texas (Copperas Cove)
10	Jameon Hardeman	DE	6-1	233	*So.	SQ	Dallas, Texas (Justin F. Kimball)
75	Jordan Hearvey	OT	6-4	280	*Jr.	1L	Richardson, Texas (Richardson)
66	Hunter Hightower	C	6-5	269	*Fr.	RS	Richardson, Texas (Pearce)
34	Ben Hixson	LB	6-2	227	*Sr.	3L	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)
90	Nicolas Jean-Baptiste	NT	6-2	317	*Fr.	RS	Stafford, Texas (Strake Jesuit College Prep)
31	Ahmad Jenkins	CB	6-1	188	*Fr.	RS	Trinidad, Texas (Trinidad)
45	Antonio Johnson	LB	6-1	205	So.	1L	Waco, Texas (Waco)
8	Antonio Jones	LB	6-2	226	*Jr.	2L	Dallas, Texas (Lincoln)
25	Jacoby Jones	RB	5-11	224	*Sr.	2L	Bangs, Texas (Bangs)
63	John Jones	OG	6-5	302	*Fr.	RS	Cedar Hill, Texas (Cedar Hill)
43	Andrew Judy	DE	6-1	229	*Jr.	SQ	Crawford, Texas (Crawford/Mary Hardin-Baylor)
18	Drew Kerr	CB	5-9	189	*Sr.	SQ	New Orleans, La. (McMain/Houston)
48	Tyler King	LB	6-3	209	*Jr.	SQ	Atlanta, Ga. (Wesleyan School/Wheaton College)
67	Joe Korbel	OT	6-5	282	*Fr.	RS	San Antonio, Texas (Churchill)
17	Alex Kushneir	CB	6-1	194	*So.	1L	Basking Ridge, N.J. (Ridge/Canterbury Prep)
12	Jake La Mar	FS	6-0	193	*Sr.	3L	Bedford, Texas (Covenant Christian Academy)
11	Luke La Mar	WR	6-2	191	*So.	SQ	Bedford, Texas (Covenant Christian Academy)
21	Jordan Lake	FS	6-2	206	*Jr.	2L	Houston, Texas (Memorial)
88	Jason Lamb	DE	6-6	265	*Jr.	2L	Richardson, Texas (L.V. Berkner)
46	Chad Lowe	LB	6-0	215	*So.	SQ	Los Angeles, Calif. (Dorsey)
21	Travis McClain	WR	6-3	188	*Fr.	RS	Weatherford, Texas (Weatherford)
39	V.J. McElroy	IR	5-11	178	So.	1L	Uvalde, Texas (Uvalde)
81	Kyle Mitchell	WR	6-2	218	*Jr.	SQ	Denver, Colo. (Montbello/Scottsdale CC)
23	Zak Mitchell	S	5-10	188	*Jr.	SQ	Victoria, Texas (Memorial)
29	Cliff Odom	CB	5-11	186	So.	1L	Arlington, Texas (James Martin)
33	Earl Patin	LB	6-2	222	So.	1L	Baton Rouge, La. (Southern Lab)
41	Joe Pawelek	LB	6-3	236	*Jr.	2L	San Antonio, Texas (Smithson Valley)
22	Andre Pierce	RB	5-10	193	*So.	SQ	Rowlett, Texas (Rowlett)
11	Marlon Price	S	6-2	194	*Sr.	3L	Dallas, Texas (Lancaster)
87	Ben Randle	IR	6-5	205	*So.	SQ	Plano, Texas (West)
91	Vincent Rhodes	DT	6-2	296	*Sr.	3L	Denison, Texas (Denison)
8	Ryan Roberts	QB	6-0	218	*Sr.	SQ	Keller, Texas (Keller/Midwestern State)
96	Zac Scotton	DE	6-6	254	*Fr.	RS	Houston, Texas (Cypress Creek)
50	Sam Shalala	LB	6-1	206	*Sr.	SQ	Sugar Land, Texas (Kempner/Brown)

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No	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)
19	Ray Sims	RB	6-0	210	Sr.	1L	Corsicana, Texas (Corsicana/Navarro College)
24	Matt Singletary	IR	6-4	243	*Fr.	RS	San Jose, Calif. (San Jose Valley Christian)
60	Sam Sledge	DT	6-2	266	*Jr.	2L	Midland, Texas (Lee)
13	Ernest Smith	WR	6-3	183	Jr.	2L	New Orleans, La. (Edna Karr Magnet School/John Tyler)
72	Jason Smith	OT	6-5	298	*Sr.	3L	Dallas, Texas (W.T. White)
88	Andrew Sowder	WR	6-4	241	*Fr.	RS	Shallowater, Texas (Shallowater)
89	Josh Stroud	LB	6-2	215	*So.	SQ	Fort Worth, Texas (North Crowley/Tarrant County)
86	Andrew Sumpter	WR	6-3	196	*Fr.	RS	Flower Mound, Texas (Flower Mound)
56	Chris Susi	DE	6-2	219	*Jr.	TR	Arlington, Texas (Grace Prep Academy/Independence)
20	Patrick Swindle	CB	5-11	190	*So.	SQ	Tyler, Texas (T.K. Gorman)
27	Bryan Swindoll	IR	6-3	224	*Fr.	RS	Miami, Fla. (Westminster Christian)
6	Blake Szymanski	QB	6-4	204	*Jr.	2L	Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider)
18	Brad Taylor	TE	6-3	233	*So.	1L	Madisonville, Texas (Madisonville)
29	Chad Traxler	WR	6-2	186	*So.	SQ	Grapevine, Texas (Grapevine)
93	Raylon Walters	DE	6-5	239	*Jr.	1L	Houston, Texas (North Shore)
55	J.D. Walton	C	6-3	299	*Jr.	1L	Allen, Texas (Allen/Arizona State)
28	D'Kendrick Washington	S	6-1	206	*Fr.	RS	Mansfield, Texas (Mansfield)
47	Larry Washington	RB	6-0	234	*Sr.	1L	San Antonio, Texas (Marshall/UTSA)
17	John David Weed	IR	6-5	229	*Sr.	SQ	Houston, Texas (Cypress Creek/Tyler JC)
3	Thomas White	IR	6-2	205	*Sr.	2L	Plano, Texas (West)
4	Jeremy Williams	S	5-10	206	*Jr.	2L	Dallas, Texas (Carter)
85	Stacy Williams	WR	6-0	181	*Fr.	RS	Houston, Texas (Yates)

2008 Baylor Football Signees

Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)
Rodney Brisbon	OL	6-6	330	Jr.	JC	Wetumpka, Ala. (Robert E. Lee/Northwest Mississippi CC)
Rodney Chadwick	LB	6-2	190	Fr.	HS	Carthage, Texas (Carthage)
Jared Edwards	DT/DE	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Mansfield, Texas (Timberview)
Nick Florence	QB	6-2	175	Fr.	HS	Garland, Texas (South Garland)
Brandon Garrett	OL	6-7	290	Fr.	HS	La Marque, Texas (La Marque)
Trentson Hill	DB	6-0	175	Fr.	HS	Mount Pleasant, Texas (Mount Pleasant)
Jake Jackson	OL	6-4	280	Fr.	HS	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)
Kaeron Johnson	DT	6-2	265	Fr.	HS	Cuero, Texas (Cuero)
Cameron Kaufhold	OL	6-5	275	Fr.	HS	Friendswood, Texas (Friendswood)
Gary Mason Jr.	DE	6-5	211	Fr.	HS	Waxahachie, Texas (Waxahachie)
Ben Parks	PK	6-2	195	Fr.	HS	Argyle, Texas (Argyle)
Fredric Plesius	LB	6-2	247	Fr.	HS	Lennoxville, Quebec (Champlain Prep School)
Tracy Robertson	DL	6-4	230	Fr.	HS	Houston, Texas (Lamar)
Jarred Salubi	RB	5-10	191	Fr.	HS	Waco, Texas (Waco)
Lanear Sampson	WR	6-0	190	Fr.	HS	Mesquite, Texas (North Mesquite)
Jeremy Sanders	QB	6-2	210	Jr.	JC	Marlin, Texas (Marlin/Navarro College)
T.J. Scranton	WR	5-10	180	Jr.	JC	Hitchcock, Texas (Hitchcock/Kilgore College)
Michael Williams	CB	6-1	180	Fr.	HS	Beaumont, Texas (West Brook)
Terrance Williams	WR	6-3	190	Fr.	HS	Dallas, Texas (W.T. White)
Kendall Wright	ATH	6-0	180	Fr.	HS	Pittsburg, Texas (Pittsburg)

Note: All information as of May 12, 2008;

*-Denotes redshirt year used; bios on Blaylock, Freeman, Griffin included in returnee section.

2008 Baylor Football Staff

Art Briles - Head Coach
Dino Babers - Assistant Coach (Outside Receivers)/Recruiting Coordinator
Randy Clements - Co-Offensive Coordinator (Line)
Philip Montgomery - Co-Offensive Coordinator (QBs & RBs)
Brian Norwood - Defensive Coordinator
Chris Achuff - Assistant Coach (Defenive Tackles)
Kendal Briles - Assistant Coach (Inside Receivers)
Larry Hoefer - Assistant Coach (Linebackers)
Kaz Kazadi - Head Football Strength Coach
Kim McCloud - Assistant Coach (Cornerbacks)
Theo Young - Assistant Coach (Defensive Ends)
Jeff Lebby - Graduate Assistant Coach (Offense)
Reid Heim - Graduate Assistant Coach (Defense)
Jeff Barlow - Equipment Manager
Adam Davis - Assistant Football Strength Coach
David Chandler - Assistant Director Of Sports Medicine
Casey Horney - Assistant Director of Football Operations
Odell James - Assistant Director of Football Operations
Chris Ruf - Associate Football Strength Coach
Colin Shillinglaw - Director of Football Operations
Mike Sims - Director of Sports Medicine
Beau Trahan - Assistant Director of Football Operations
Jeremy Weeks - Graduate Assistant (Strength & Cond.)

Numerical Roster

No	Player, Position
71	Dan Gay, OT
72	Jason Smith, OT
74	Thad Boatner, OT
75	Jordan Hearvey, OT
76	Larry Bradley, OT
78	Chris Griesenbeck, OG
80	Romie Blaylock, IR
81	Kyle Mitchell, WR
85	Stacy Williams, WR
86	Andrew Sumpter, WR
87	Ben Randle, IR
88	Jason Lamb, DE
88	Andrew Sowder, WR
89	Josh Stroud, LB
90	Nicolas Jean-Baptiste, NT
91	Vincent Rhodes, DT
92	Dexter Beck, DE
93	Raylon Walters, DE
94	Chris Buford, DT
96	Zac Scotton, DE
97	Trey Bryant, NT
98	Ryan Douglass, DE

14 JUSTIN AKERS

TE • 6-5 • 235 • JR-2L • DEER PARK, TEXAS (DEER PARK)

Junior tight end **Justin Akers** is one of nine returning offensive starters for the 2008 Bears ... 21 of 48 career receptions for 10-plus yards.

2007: Sophomore inside receiver was No. 2 on the squad in both receptions (43) and touchdown catches (four); No. 3 in receiving yards (426) ... Registered two or more receptions in 10 of 12 games and was only Bear to record at least one grab in every contest ... Hauled in a career-high nine receptions for 77 yards vs. No. 19 Texas ... Had seven catches at Buffalo (for 74 yards and one touchdown, a 4-yarder) and vs. Texas State (for career-high 95 yards) ... One of receptions vs. Texas State was career-long 24-yarder ... Tallied two catches for 29 yards, one of which was an 18-yard touchdown grab, vs. Colorado ... Two receptions for 25 yards vs. Rice both went for touchdowns (of 16 and 9 yards, respectively, for first career scores) ... Drew 10 starts and saw action on 667 plays to receive second letter ... Played 50 or more snaps six times with a high of 88 plays vs. Texas Tech.

2006: Played in every game as a redshirt freshman inside receiver and drew two starts — vs. No. 22 TCU, in his first game as a Bear, and at No. 6 Texas ... Averaged 10.8 yards on five receptions for season ... Caught two passes for 13 yards vs. Army ... Registered season-long 19-yard reception vs. Kansas ... Also recorded receptions at Texas (for 14 yards) and vs. No. 22 Texas A&M (eight yards) ... Played 254 snaps to earn first Baylor letter.

2005: Redshirted as a true freshman ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Deer Park High School, Deer Park, Texas ... Selected one of state's top 10 tight ends on *Texas Football's* 2004 Texas Top 300 list ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 player ... Caught a team-high 26 passes for 462 yards, an average of 17.8 yards per catch, as a senior with five touchdowns for the 6-4 Deer ... Earned all-district honors in both football and basketball ... 2005 Bayou Bowl participant ... Also played baseball and was a member of the school's track team ... National Honor Society member ... Coached by Chris Massey at the District 23-5A school.

Personal: The son of Mike and Sharon Akers, Justin Paul Akers was born Oct. 30, 1986, in Pasadena, Texas ... General Studies major.

AKERS' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 9 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007 (77 yards)
Receiving Yards: 95 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (7 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 2 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007

AKERS' CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2005	Redshirted					
2006	12/2	5	54	10.8	0	19/vs. Kansas
2007	12/10	43	426	9.9	4	24/vs. Texas State
Totals	**24/12**	**48**	**480**	**10.0**	**4**	**24/vs. Texas State, 2007**

28 TONY ANDERSON

RB • 6-2 • 230 • JR-SQ • ARLINGTON, TEXAS (ARLINGTON/SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE)

2007: Transferred into the Baylor program as a running back from Southeast Missouri State in January 2007 and sat out the season per NCAA rules.

At Southeast Missouri State: Played in every game as a redshirt freshman running back for the 2006 Redhawks and tied for team lead with six rushing touchdowns ... Rushed for 307 yards on 87 carries, an average of 3.5 yards per tote ... Long run of 17 yards ... Registered career-highs for rushes (25) and rushing yards (92) against Murray State ... Used in goal line situations ... Redshirted as a true freshman at SEMO in 2005.

High School: Arlington High School, Arlington, Texas ... All-district, all-city running back ... Team MVP ... Played in Coca-Cola All-Star Game ... Ranked No. 80 on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 list ... Also recruited by Colorado and Utah ... Played for coach Scott Peach at the District 7-5A school.

Personal: The son of Alfred Anderson and Dr. Monica Anderson, Alfred Tony Anderson was born Nov. 1, 1986, and will celebrate 22nd birthday the day the Bears' host Missouri ... Father, Alfred, ranks as Baylor's third-leading rusher and played eight seasons (1984-91) with the NFL's Minnesota Vikings ... Mother, Monica, is a national bestselling author who graduated from Baylor and practices dental surgery in the Metroplex ... Wears a size 18 shoe ... Marketing major.

30 TIM ATCHISON

FS • 6-2 • 200 • SO-1L • COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS (COPPERAS COVE)

2007: Played in every game as a redshirt freshman free safety and was credited with seven tackles (six solos) and a pass breakup ... Totaled a career-high two tackles (one solo) vs. Rice to register lone multi-tackle performance of season ... Had first career pass breakup vs. Texas Tech ... Saw action on 183 total plays, 95 of which were on special teams, to earn first Baylor monogram.

2006: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman free safety ... Dressed for season's first two games, but did not play and then redshirted.

High School: Copperas Cove High School, Copperas Cove, Texas ... Ranked as nation's 42nd-best safety by Rivals.com and No. 90 on Rivals.com's Texas Top 100 list ... No. 5 on *Waco Tribune-Herald's* Central Texas Top 25 list ... The defensive MVP of the 2005 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex team also earned first-team Class 5A all-state honors from both Associated Press and 5ATexasFootball.com as well as second-team recognition from the Texas Sports Writers Association ... 3-star Rivals.com recruit ... Registered 147 tackles, six interceptions, three blocked kicks, three fumble recoveries and a forced fumble as a prep senior en route to District 13-5A Defensive Player of the Year honors ... Returned three of six interceptions for touchdowns and also took a blocked kick into the end zone for another score ... 2005 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 selection ... Helped 2005 Bulldawgs to a 13-1 record, district, bi-district and area titles, the quarterfinals of the 5A Division II playoffs and a final No. 9 state ranking ... Had 127 tackles, three interceptions, three fumble recoveries, two forced fumbles and a blocked kick as junior en route to first-team all-district and honorable mention 2004 *Tribune-Herald* Super Centex honors ... Credited with 42 tackles and five pass breakups as sophomore ... In final two prep seasons led Copperas Cove to back-to-back district titles, a pair of playoff appearances and a 23-3 record ... Began prep career as a running back and played wide receiver before settling into the defensive backfield ... Also considered Georgia Tech, Oklahoma State, Texas Tech, Purdue, TCU and UTEP ... Coached by Jack Welch at the District 5A-13 school.

Personal: The son of Stacey Atchison, Timothy Drew Atchison was born Sept. 27, 1987, in Houston, Texas ... Speech Communication major.

ATCHISON'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 2 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007
Solo Tackles: 1, six times
Pass Breakups: 1 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007

ATCHISON'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YDS
2006	Redshirted								
2007	12/0	6	1	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	0-0
Totals	**12/0**	**6**	**1**	**7**	**0.0-0**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**1**	**0-0**

5 MIKAIL BAKER

IR • 6-0 • 195 • JR-2L • DALLAS, TEXAS (SKYLINE)

Returning from a medical redshirt year, junior **Mikail Baker** moved to an inside receiver spot during spring practice after playing wide receiver his first three seasons at Baylor ... Ranks No. 6 on Baylor's career kickoff return list with a 24.04-yard average.

2007: Broke collar bone vs. Rice which forced him to sideline and into a medical redshirt after two starts ... Caught six passes for 87 yards (14.5 ypc) and had four kickoff returns for 103 yards (25.8 ypr) ... Season-long reception (37 yards) and kickoff return (39 yards) both came against Rice ... Two multi-catch games (five career) ... Made two starts and played 85 snaps prior to injury, including career-high 56 plays at No. 22 TCU ... Nine career kickoff returns of 25-plus yards ... 15 of 22 career receptions registered at Floyd Casey Stadium.

2006: Appeared in every game as a sophomore wide receiver, but made mark on the Bears' kickoff return unit ... On 22 kickoff returns, averaged 23.73 yards to rank No. 4 in Big 12 and No. 37 nationally ... The 22 kickoff returns equaled eighth-best one-season total in school history, while the 522 yards ranked No. 7 on program's season chart, at the time the marks were established ... Seven kickoff returns of 25-plus yards on year included career-long 58-yarder at No. 6 Texas ... Averaged 32.33 yards on three kickoff returns vs. Longhorns ... Also totaled eight receptions for 65 yards and one touchdown and rushed once for four yards on year ... Had career-high five receptions for 45 yards against No. 22 TCU, one of which was 21-yard TD grab from Shawn Bell ... Averaged 8.1 yards per catch and had three receptions of 10-plus yards ... Six of eight grabs recorded at Floyd Casey Stadium ... Saw action on 248 plays to earn second letter.

2005: Finished seventh on squad in receptions with eight for 158 yards and one touchdown in nine games as true freshman ... Averaged team-high 19.8 yards per catch ... Made first career start against No. 2 Texas when Bears opened in five-wide set ... Registered then-career-high three receptions for 31 yards against No. 16 Texas Tech and caught two balls for a then-career-best 61 yards vs. Oklahoma State ... First career reception was a 49-yard TD grab from Terrance Parks vs. Samford ... Seven of eight receptions on year came at Floyd Casey Stadium ... Tallied at least one reception in four straight games to end rookie season ... Saw action on 70 snaps to receive first varsity letter.

High School: Skyline High School, Dallas, Texas ... Ranked No. 83 on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... Two-time All-District 9-5A wide receiver ... 2004 *Texas Football* Top 300 member ... 2005 Coca-Cola High School All-Star Game participant ... Helped Skyline to 2004 Class 5A Division I Region II bi-district playoffs ... As a senior, caught 50 passes for 750 yards and eight touchdowns for 7-4 Raiders ... Also rushed 12 times for 150 yards and two scores ... Returned a kickoff for a touchdown and racked up 1,000 all-purpose yards in final prep campaign ... Hauled in 24 passes for 357 yards and two touchdowns as a junior ... Coached by Que Brittain at the District 9-5A school.

Personal: The son of Michael and Jacqueline Baker, Mikail A'Lim Baker was born June 19, 1987, in Dallas, Texas ... Would like to become a television broadcaster ... Communications major.

BAKER'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 5 vs. TCU, Sept. 3, 2006 (45 yards)
Receiving Yards: 61 vs. Oklahoma State, Nov. 19, 2005 (2 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 1, twice

BAKER'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2005	9/1	8	158	19.8	1	49/Samford (TD)
2006	12/0	8	65	8.1	1	21/TCU (TD)
2007	2/2	6	87	14.5	0	37/Rice
Totals	**23/3**	**22**	**310**	**14.1**	**2**	**49/Samford, 2005 (TD)**

Other: Rushing: 2005: 0-0-0; **2006:** 1-4-0; **2007:** 0-0-0; **Career:** 1-4-0; **Kickoff Returns: 2005:** 0-0-0; **2006:** 22-522-0; **2007:** 4-103-0; **Career:** 26-625-0.

61 JAMES BARNARD

OG • 6-4 • 284 • JR-1L • OVERLAND PARK, KAN. (SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH/COFFEYVILLE)

Junior offensive guard **James Barnard** returns for his second year as a starter along the Bears' o-line.

2007: Junior college transfer emerged as the Bears' starter at right offensive guard midway through fall camp as a sophomore and went on to become one of three Baylor o-linemen to start every 2007 game (J.D. Walton and Dan Gay were the others) ... Key cog in a Baylor offensive line which yielded just 21 sacks (in a school-record 561 pass attempts) on the season, the program's fewest since 1995 ... Played 76 or more snaps seven times with a high of 97 at Buffalo ... One of 10 Bears to play 700 or more snaps on season, Barnard saw action on 763 downs to receive first Baylor letter ... Named to spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

Junior College: Coffeyville Community College, Coffeyville, Kan. ... Earned second-team 2006 All-Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference honors as a redshirt freshman offensive tackle for coach Jeff Leiker ... Helped Coffeyville to a 7-4 record and a No. 13 national ranking in 2006 ... The 13th-ranked Ravens dropped a 26-21 decision to No. 3 Snow in the Zions Bank Top of the Mountains Bowl ... Redshirted as a freshman in 2005 ... Also considered UAB, Ole Miss, Memphis and Temple before signing with the Bears.

High School: Shawnee Mission South, Overland Park, Kan. ... Two-year starter at left offensive tackle ... K.C. Metro All-Star Game participant ... Team captain as a senior ... Also lettered two years in wrestling.

Personal: The son of Dave Barnard, James Lockhart Barnard was born April 15, 1987, in Kansas City, Mo. ... Enjoys hunting and fishing ... General Studies major would like to teach and coach.

12 TYLER BEATTY

QB • 6-3 • 205 • SO-1L • PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS (PFLUGERVILLE)

2007: As a redshirt freshman quarterback, saw action in three games--at No. 22 TCU, vs. Rice and at No. 20 Kansas, to earn first Baylor letter ... Was 5-of-18 passing with two interceptions for 33 yards and no touchdowns on season ... Registered career-highs in pass completions (three), attempts (eight) and yards (15) at TCU in career debut ... Completed career-long 11-yard pass vs. Rice ... Nineteen of 48 snaps played on season were as the holder on the Bears' extra-point and field goal units.

2006: Sat out his true freshman year as a redshirt.

High School: Pflugerville High School, Pflugerville, Texas ... In lone season as the Panthers' starting signal caller, completed 84-of-184 passes for 1,688 yards and 13 touchdowns with five interceptions ... Also rushed 66 times for 133 yards and two touchdowns ... Earned 2005 first-team District 15-5A honors both in the classroom and on field ... 2005 team co-captain ... Threw for season-high 205 yards and three touchdowns against Austin Westlake in opening round of playoffs, then came back with a 192-yard effort vs. A&M Consolidated ... Led Panthers to a 7-5 record, a district runner-up finish and the second-round of 2005 Class 5A Division II playoffs ... 2005 *Waco Tribune-Herald* and *Port Arthur News* Top 100 member ... 2005 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 pick despite seeing limited action as a junior behind Texas Tech signee Todd Walker ... Threw for 323 yards (15-of-35) with five touchdowns and three interceptions as a junior for the bi-district champion Panthers ... Made one start as a junior ... Also considered Texas Tech, Purdue, Houston and UTEP ... Coached by George Herrmann at the District 15-5A school.

Personal: The son of Mark and Robin Beatty, Tyler M. Beatty was born Sept. 11, 1987, in Austin, Texas ... Speech Communication major.

BEATTY'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushes: 1 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007 ([-8 yards])
Rushing Yards: [-8 yards] vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007 (1 att.)
Pass Attempts: 8 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007 (3 comp.)
Pass Completions: 3 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007 (8 att.)
Interceptions: 1, twice
Passing Yards: 15 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007

BEATTY'S CAREER STATISTICS

PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	PCT	YDS	INT	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	Redshirted							
2007	3/0	5	18	.278	33	2	0	11/Rice
Totals	**3/0**	**5**	**18**	**.278**	**33**	**2**	**0**	**11/Rice, 2007**

Other: Rushing: 2006: Redshirted; **2007:** 1-[-8]-0; **Career:** 1-[-8]-0

19 JOE BENNETT

IR • 5-7 • 172 • SR-SQ • ARLINGTON, TEXAS (LAMAR)

2007: Walk-on junior inside receiver appeared in 10 games ... Registered first career reception, an 18-yard grab, at Texas A&M ... Also Baylor's top punt return man, he averaged 8.5 yards on 19 returns to rank No. 7 in Big 12 and No. 55 nationally ... 14 of 19 punt returns came in season's first three games ... Career-long 43-yard punt return at Buffalo setup third quarter touchdown that gave Bears a 27-7 lead ... Career-best 51 punt return yards at Buffalo ... Career-high six punt returns at No. 22 TCU for 38 yards ... Also had 2-yard kickoff return vs. Texas State ... Played 111 snaps, including 39 on special teams, but did not see action over season's final four games ... Career-best 32 snaps at Texas A&M.

2006: Appeared in two games as a sophomore inside receiver, but did not record any statistics ... Made first career start as a Bear against Army ... Played six snaps for season.

2005: Did not see any game action as a redshirt freshman.

2004: Joined program as walk-on and elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman.

High School: Lamar High School, Arlington, Texas ... Earned second-team all-district honors as a senior ... Lettered in both football and basketball ... Coached by Eddy Peach at the District 6-5A school.

Personal: The son of Onzo and Bettina Bennett, Joseph Oren Bennett was born March 19, 1986, in Arlington, Texas ... Mathematics major.

BENNETT'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 1 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2007 (18 yards)
Receiving Yards: 18 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2008 (1 rec.)

BENNETT'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2004	Redshirted					
2005	0/0	0	0	0.0	0	--
2006	2/1	0	0	0.0	0	--
2007	10/0	1	18	18.0	0	18/at Texas A&M
Totals	**12/1**	**1**	**18**	**18.0**	**0**	**18/at Texas A&M, 2007**

Other: Punt Returns: 2004: Redshirt; **2005:** 0-0-0; **2006:** 0-0-0; **2007:** 19-162-0; **Career:** 19-162-0; **Kickoff Returns: 2004:** Redshirt; **2005:** 0-0-0; **2006:** 0-0-0; **2007:** 1-2-0; **Career:** 1-2-0

80 ROMIE BLAYLOCK

IR • 5-11 • 175 • FR-HS • CEDAR HILL, TEXAS (CEDAR HILL)

One of three Cedar Hill [Texas] High School standouts to sign with Baylor in 2007, joining LB Chris Francis and OT John Jones, inside receiver **Romie Blaylock** enrolled at Baylor in January 2008 and went through spring practice with the Bears.

High School: Cedar Hill High School, Cedar Hill, Texas ... Ranked 43rd on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 list ... 2006 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 member ... 3-star Rivals.com ranking ... Helped Longhorns to 2006 Class 5A Division II state title with a 16-0 record ... Totaled 34 receptions for 629 yards and seven touchdowns as senior to earn second-team all-district honors ... Also played cornerback and registered a pair of interceptions, four tackles and one pass breakup ... As a junior, caught 13 passes for 177 yards and one touchdown en route to second-team all-district honors for the 7-4, Division II bi-district finalists ... Helped 2005 Longhorns to first district title in some 25 years ... Caught 33 passes for 500 yards en route to 2004 District 7-5A Sophomore of the Year honors ... Anchored Cedar Hill's silver-medal winning 4x400-meter relay at 2007 state meet ... Placed third in 2006 Class 5A 400-meter dash in a personal-best 47.39 ... 2006 *Dallas Morning News* All-Area track and field team selection ... Placed third in 2005 Junior Olympics 400 ... B-Honor Roll ... FCA member volunteered for duty at the food pantry and clothing store ... Received 2005-06 Achievement Academy Award and 2005-06 Who's Who American High School Award ... Selected Baylor over Kansas State, Colorado, Purdue, UTEP, Houston, SMU, Tulane and Boise State ... Coached by Joey McGuire at the District 7-5A school.

Personal: The son of Romie S. Blaylock Sr. and Niki Blaylock, Romie S. Blaylock Jr. was born Aug. 23, 1989, in Dallas, Texas ... Enjoys dancing, singing, dominos and shooting pool ... Cousin of former Baylor and current Carolina Panther cornerback C.J. Wilson ... Speech Communication major.

74 THAD BOATNER

OT • 6-7 • 292 • JR-1L • HAMILTON, TEXAS (HAMILTON)

Junior offensive tackle **Thad Boatner** underwent back surgery after the first week of spring ball and is questionable for the 2008 season.

2007: Sustained a knee injury early in fall camp which forced him to miss the season's first six games ... Dressed but did not play against Colorado, then saw first action of season at No. 20 Kansas ... Did not play against No. 19 Texas in Waco, but saw action in each of the Bears' final four games ... Played career-high 69 snaps vs. Texas Tech ... 183 of 227 snaps on season came over final three games.

2006: First-team Academic All-Big 12 selection played in eight games as a redshirt freshman along the offensive line to earn first Baylor letter ... Saw action on 30 snaps for year, splitting time at both guard and tackle.

2005: Elected to take a redshirt year ... Named to both the fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Hamilton High School, Hamilton, Texas ... Member of *Texas Football's* 2004 Top 300 ... 2004 first-team Associated Press and Texas Sports Writers Association all-state selection (Class 2A and A) ... 2004 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex pick ... 2004 *Prep Star* national All-American ... Two-time all-district honoree on both sides of the ball ... Anchored offensive line that helped Hamilton rush for 386 yards and 30.8 points per game ... Averaged 8.6 pancake blocks and 15.5 knockdowns per contest ... Averaged 9.6 tackles with five sacks, four forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries, four pass breakups and a blocked field goal ... Helped Bulldogs to a 12-2 record, a district title and the 2004 2A Division II regional semifinals ... Also participated in power lifting, track and tennis ... National Honor Society member earned spot on school's A Honor Roll ... 4-H and FFA member ... Coached by Chris Wilde at the District 10-2A school.

Personal: The son of Sharon and Arvel Boatner, Thad Cory Boatner was born Dec. 18, 1985, in Weatherford, Texas ... Enjoys auto mechanics and restoration, bowling and audio electronics ... His older brother Yancy was a senior offensive lineman on Baylor's 2006 football team ... Management Information Systems major.

76 LARRY BRADLEY

OT • 6-5 • 289 • FR-RS • MIAMI, FLA. (PALMETTO)

2007: Signed with the Bears in June 2007 and redshirted as a true freshman.

High School: Palmetto Senior High School, Miami, Fla. ... Selected Palmetto's 2006-07 Athlete of the Year ... A four-year letterman in basketball ... Went out for the Panthers' football team as a senior and started at right offensive tackle ... Drew interest from South Florida, Memphis and Florida International ... Palmetto High's list of alumni includes Denver Broncos running back Cecil Sapp ... Coached by Larry Coffey at the Class 6A school.

Personal: The son of Larry and Carolyn Bradley, Larry Bradley Jr. was born Oct. 18, 1988, in Miami, Fla., and will celebrate his 20th birthday when the Bears play at Oklahoma State ... Nicknamed Miami ... General Studies major.

43 SHEA BREWSTER

PK • 6-0 • 165 • SO-1L • COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (A&M CONSOLIDATED)

2007: Connected on 17-of-19 PATs and 3-of-8 field goals as a true freshman ... For the season, was 2-of-4 on field goal attempts under 40 yards, 1-of-4 on attempts from 40-49 yards ... Was the Bears' place-kicker in season's first six games, then did not kick in games 7 through 11 before returning to field vs. Oklahoma State ... Was 2-for-2 on PATs vs. Cowboys, but missed lone field goal kick ... Made 26-yard field goal vs. Colorado but missed lone PAT ... Connected on only PAT attempt at Texas A&M ... Hit 4-of-4 PATs and 2-of-3 field goals at Buffalo for career-high 10 points ... Made field goals against the Bulls were a career-long 43-yard boot and a 39-yarder ... Was 4-of-5 on PATs vs. Texas State and did not attempt a field goal ... Hit 6-of-6 PATs vs. Rice, but missed lone field goal attempt ... Missed a pair of field goals, from 20 and 35 yards, in season-opener at No. 22 TCU ... Fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member ... Saw action on 27 plays to earn first Baylor letter.

High School: A&M Consolidated High School, College Station, Texas ... Rated the nation's 11th-best kicker by Rivals.com ... Earned third-team Class 5A all-state honors from the Texas Sports Writers Association after connecting on 31-of-31 PATs and 10-of-14 field goals in final prep season ... 3-star rank from Rivals.com ... Four of 10 field goals were 40 yards or longer ... Also named to 2006 *Bryan-College Station Eagle* All-Brazos Valley team ... Offered a scholarship by Baylor after an impressive showing in Bears' summer camp ... Wasn't expected to be the Tigers' kicker in 2006, but when Consolidated's Matt Szymanski elected to graduate early and enroll at Texas A&M for the 2006 season, Brewster took over the kicking chores ... Had a pair of game-winning field goals ... Kicked 37-yard field goal in the second overtime to lift the Tigers to a 24-21 victory over Bryan in the Crosstown Showdown ... Nailed 47-yard field goal with 59 seconds left to lift Consolidated to a 17-14 Week 1 victory over Leander ... Made a pair of 47-yard field goals in final prep season ... Averaged 37.0 yards on 31 punts as a senior ... Finished as the runner-up in the kickoff competition at 2005 Lone Star Challenge ... As a junior, he attempted just one PAT and had a few kickoffs, but no field goal attempts ... Also considered Kansas, Oklahoma State and SMU ... Helped Consolidated to an 8-2 record and the 2006 District 13-5A title ... Qualified for the 2006 regional wrestling tournament in the 152-pound division ... Participated in community service event Extreme Makeover ... Coached by Jim Slaughter at the District 13-5A school.

Personal: The son of Joseph and Toby Brewster, Shea Wahle Brewster was born June 4, 1988, in College Station, Texas ... The youngest of six children has sight set on becoming a radiologist ... Health Science Studies major.

BREWSTER'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Total Points: 10 at Buffalo (4 PATs, 2 FGs)
Made PATs: 6 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007 (6 att.)
PAT Attempts: 6 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007 (6 made)
Made Field Goals: 2 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007 (3 att.)
FG Attempts: 3 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007 (2 made)
Long Field Goal: 43 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007

BREWSTER'S CAREER STATISTICS

PLACE-KICKING

Year	G	PAT-ATT	PCT	FT-ATT	PCT	TP
2007	7	17-19	.895	3-8	.375	26

26 ANTAREIS BRYAN

CB • 6-1 • 186 • SO-1L • DALLAS, TEXAS (CARTER)

2007: Redshirt freshman cornerback saw action in 10 games for the Bears and totaled 17 tackles (10 solos) en route to a spot on *The Sporting News'* All-Big 12 freshman team ... Also had a tackle for loss and an interception on season ... Registered one tackle, which was for loss, at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Had a career-high five tackles (two solos) and first career interception, which was returned 32 yards, at Kansas State ... The 32-yard interception return was longest recorded by a Bear on season ... Registered then-career-high tying three tackles (one solo) vs. Rice ... Tallied three tackles, all solo, at No. 22 TCU in Bear debut ... Four multi-tackle performances in 10 appearances ... Saw action on 222 snaps for year, including a career-high 65 plays at Kansas State and 56 snaps vs. Texas Tech, to earn first Baylor letter.

2006: True freshman cornerback sat out the Bears' 2006 campaign as a redshirt ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Carter High School, Dallas, Texas ... Started all 12 games for the 11-1 Cowboys, who claimed the 2005 district title and advanced to the second round of the playoffs ... Totaled 45 tackles, six pass breakups, three interceptions and forced two fumbles as a senior ... MVP of Carter track team ... District long jump champion was also a member of Cowboys' district champion 4x100- and 4x200-meter relay teams ... National Honor Society member ... Active in student council ... Texas Scholar ... Listed on the Who's Who National Honor Roll ... Also considered Colorado ... Coached by Allen Wilson at the District 9-5A school.

Personal: The son of Roderick and Shawnda Davis, Antareis Earl Bryan was born May 20, 1988, in Dallas, Texas ... Nicknamed the locksmith ... Psychology major.

BRYAN'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 5 at Kansas State, Oct. 27, 2007
Solo Tackles: 3 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007
Tackles For Loss: 1 at Oklahoma, Nov. 10, 2007
Interceptions: 1 at Kansas State, Oct. 27, 2007

BRYAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YDS
2006	Redshirted								
2007	10/0	10	7	17	1-2	0-0	0/0	0	1-32
Totals	**10/0**	**10**	**7**	**17**	**1-2**	**0-0**	**0/0**	**0**	**1-32**

97 TREY BRYANT

NT • 6-3 • 316 • JR-2L • DALLAS, TEXAS (L.V. Berkner)

One of seven Baylor defenders to start every game in 2007, junior nose tackle **Trey Bryant** is one of six returning starters on the defensive side of the ball for the 2008 Bears, three of whom are along the d-line.

2007: Produced nine multi-tackle games in 12 starts as a sophomore nose tackle and ranked 14th on squad overall (No. 4 among BU d-linemen) in total tackles with 28 stops (15 solos) ... Also had 2.0 tackles for loss, a pass breakup, one forced fumble and four quarterback hurries ... Career-high five tackles (four solos) and one pass breakup at No. 20 Kansas ... Totaled four tackles (three solos) and 0.5 tackles for loss at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Had three tackles (one solo) and a forced fumble at Kansas State ... Credited with three tackles (two solos) vs. Oklahoma State ... Registered 1.0 tackle for loss at Buffalo and had 0.5 TFL vs. Colorado ... Made first career start at No. 22 TCU (one solo tackle) ... Played 676 snaps to receive second Baylor monogram ... Played 60 or more downs in six of 12 starts with a high of 78 snaps at Texas A&M.

2006: Redshirt freshman nose tackle saw action in three games ... Played 53 snaps, 46 of which were over Baylor's final two games of the season — at Oklahoma State and against No. 16 Oklahoma ... Totaled five tackles (three solos) on season, including two for loss ... Had

a then-career-high three tackles, all solos, in 23 snaps at Oklahoma State ... Two of three stops vs. the Cowboys were for loss (two yards) ... Totaled two tackles, both assisted, on 23 plays against the Sooners ... Received first letter.

2005: Sat out year as a redshirt.

High School: L.V. Berkner High School, Richardson, Texas ... No. 77 (28th on its all-area list) on *The Dallas Morning News* State Top 100 list ... *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 member ... Ration's 34th-best defensive tackle by Rivals.com ... Member of *Texas Football's* 2004 Top 300 ... In three seasons for the Rams, recorded 175 tackles, 15 sacks, three fumble recoveries and three forced fumbles ... As a senior, credited with 65 tackles, six sacks, two forced fumbles, 15 pressures, six pass breakups and two blocked field goals en route to first-team all-city and first-team all-district honors ... Led Berkner to a school-record eight victories in 2004 (against four losses), a seven-game win streak, a district title and its first-ever berth in the 5A Division I Region II semifinals ... First-team all-city and first-team all-district pick as a junior, when he had 60 tackles, eight sacks, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery ... 2002 District and City Sophomore of the Year had 50 tackles and one sack en route to all-city and all-district honors ... 2005 Coca-Cola Bowl participant ... Also lettered in track ... One of three Richardson products in Baylor's 2005 recruiting class, joining teammate Jason Lamb and Richardson High's Jordan Hearvey ... Also considered Houston, Mississippi State, Brigham Young and Arizona ... Coached by Jim Ledford at the District 10-5A school.

Personal: The son of Sonja and the late Lee Bryant Jr., Lee Vernon Bryant III was born June 2, 1987, in Carrollton, Texas ... Would like to become a high school coach ... His cousin, Marcus Shavers, is a senior defensive tackle at Arkansas ... General studies major.

BRYANT'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 5 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007
Solo Tackles: 4 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007
Tackles for Loss: 2 at Oklahoma State, Nov. 11, 2006

BRYANT'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2005		Redshirted							
2006	3/0	3	2	5	2.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2007	12/12	15	13	28	2.0-3	0.0-0	1/0	1	0-0
Totals	**15/12**	**18**	**15**	**33**	**4.0-5**	**0.0-0**	**1/0**	**1**	**0-0**

16 KRYS BUERCK

CB • 6-1 • 179 • SO-1L • MESQUITE, TEXAS (MESQUITE)

Krys Buerck moved to cornerback in spring practice after playing wide receiver in 2007 and emerged No. 1 on the depth chart at new position opposite fifth-year senior Dwain Crawford.

2007: As a true freshman wide receiver, played in 10 games with six starts ... Bears' No. 6 receiver on season with 23 receptions for 280 yards and two touchdowns ... All 23 grabs came in an eight-game span (Rice through Kansas State) that saw him tally two or more receptions in every contest ... Reception total was just two shy of Baylor's single-season freshman record of 25 set by Trent Shelton in 2003 and broken by Brad Taylor, Buerck's teammate, in 2007 ... In first career start, registered a career-high six receptions for a career-best 76 yards and one touchdown, an 11-yard catch, vs. Texas State ... Hauled in two passes for 20 yards at Buffalo, including a 9-yard touchdown grab, in second career start, and rushed twice for six yards ... Had two receptions for 57 yards against Rice, one of which was career-long 44-yard grab ... Also totaled three receptions vs. Colorado (for 15 yards), at No. 20 Kansas (26 yards) and at Kansas State (41 yards) ... Missed games vs. Texas Tech and at No. 4 Oklahoma with sprained ankle ... Played 449 snaps, including career-high 86 plays at Buffalo, to earn first Baylor letter ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Mesquite High School, Mesquite, Texas ... Rated 49th on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 Area list ... Named Most Outstanding Offensive Player of 2007 Oil Bowl after catching six passes for 124 yards and one touchdown in Texas' 31-16 victory over Oklahoma ... Caught 48 passes for 970 yards and 12 touchdowns to earn 2006 District 12-5A co-offensive MVP honors ... Garnered 2006 honorable mention Class 5A all-state honors from both Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association ... His 970 receiving yards ranked eighth among all 2006 Class 5A Metroplex performers, while the 12 touchdown catches equaled area's fifth-highest total ... Helped team to a 7-5 record and the second round of the playoffs as a senior ... Caught 41 passes for 606 yards and four touchdowns as a junior for a team which advanced to the Class 5A Division I bi-district playoffs ... One of receptions as a junior was an 18-yard touchdown catch with 0.7 seconds left to give the Skeeters a 14-13 playoff-clinching win over Rockwall ... Also ran on Mesquite's 4x100- and 4x400-meter relay teams as a junior ... Drew recruiting interest from Tulsa, Texas Tech, Oklahoma State and Rice ... Coached by Steve Halpin at the District 12-5A school.

Personal: The son of Brent Buerck and Debra Buerck, Krystopher Thomas Buerck was born Jan. 11, 1989 ... Undeclared major.

BUERCK'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 6 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (76 yards)
Receiving Yards: 76 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (6 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 1, twice

BUERCK'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2007	10/6	23	280	12.2	2	44/Rice

Other: Rushing: 2007: 2-6-0; **Career:** 2-6-0; **Kickoff Returns: 2007:** 1-12-0; **Career:** 1-12-0; **Punt Returns: 2007:** 3-17-0; **Career:** 3-17-0

94 CHRIS BUFORD

DT • 6-4 • 263 • SO-1L • ARLINGTON, TEXAS (BOWIE)

2007: Saw action in every game along the defensive line for the Bears as a redshirt freshman tackle and totaled four tackles, all assisted ... Totaled a career-high three tackles, all assisted, against Rice in second career appearance, and had one assisted stop at Texas A&M ... Played 171 snaps for first Baylor letter, 56 on special teams, with a high of 26 at No. 4 Oklahoma.

2006: Sat out his first year on the Baylor campus as a redshirt.

High School: Bowie High School, Arlington, Texas ... One of two *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* Area Top 50 recruits from Arlington Bowie in Baylor's 2006 recruiting class, joining teammate Dominique Criss ... Credited with 50 tackles in five games as a senior with 12 sacks and five tackles for loss ... Also spent time at tight end, where he recorded four receptions and 12 pancake blocks ... Earned honorable mention all-district honors as a senior and was a second-team pick as a junior ... Totaled 105 tackles with eight sacks, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery as a junior ... Also considered Missouri and Central Florida ... National Honor Society member was cum laude graduate and Bowie High's Student of the Year ... Coached by Anthony Criss at the District 7-5A school.

Personal: The son of Michael and Lavette Buford, Christopher Michael Buford was born March 3, 1988, in Washington, D.C. ... Hopes to become an NFL coach or trainer ... Business major.

BUFORD'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 3 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007

BUFORD'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YDS
2006		Redshirted							
2007	12/0	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
Totals	**12/0**	**0**	**4**	**4**	**0.0-0**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**0**	**0-0**

37 ELLIOT COFFEY

LB • 6-0 • 208 • FR-RS • SUGAR LAND, TEXAS (CLEMENTS)

2007: Elected to sit out the season as a redshirt ... Moved to linebacker during spring practice after working at safety during fall.

High School: Clements High School, Sugar Land, Texas ... Talented two-way performer was a two-time All-District 23-5A performer ... District 23-5A utility MVP ... *Houston Chronicle* Top 100 Area selection ... 2006 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 member was a second-team preseason Super Team pick and tabbed one of state's top 20 defensive backs ... Earned 2006 second-team All-Greater Houston honors from both the *Houston Chronicle* and TexasPrepXta.com after registering 59 tackles (37 solo) and three interceptions ... Also caught 17 passes for 350 yards and five touchdowns while rushing 87 times for 500 yards and five touchdowns ... Helped 2006 Ranger squad to an 8-3 record and a district co-championship ... Credited with 47 tackles and three interceptions as a junior when Clements finished 7-4 and advanced to Division II bi-district finals ... Academic all-district selection also participated in PALS and FCA ... Selected Baylor over TCU, Houston, Tulane, UTEP and Central Florida ... Coached by Jeff Hulme at the District 23-5A school.

Personal: The son of Ken and Brenda Coffey, Elliot James Coffey was born Dec. 3, 1989 ... Father, Ken,was a safety for the NFL's Washington Redskins (1983-86) ... Enjoys reading, writing and drawing ... Would like to own a Fortune 500 business ... Business major.

1 DWAIN CRAWFORD

CB • 6-0 • 193 • SR-3L • GIDDINGS, TEXAS (GIDDINGS)

Fifth-year senior **Dwain Crawford,** one of Baylor's six returning defensive starters, is a 2008 honors candidate ... With 20 career starts under his belt, Crawford is one of six 2008 Bears who have made at least 20 career starts ... Has 21 career multi-tackle games, including 11 contests with five or more stops ... Slides over to cornerback after playing safety the past four years.

2007: Despite missing season's final three games due to injury, ranked No. 8 on squad in tackles with 48 stops in nine starts as a junior rover ... Also had two pass breakups and a

quarterback hurry ... His 5.3 tackles per game ranked T-No. 48 among all Big 12 defenders ... Broke right leg in pre-game warm-ups vs. Texas Tech and missed the Bears' final three games--vs. Texas Tech, at No. 4 Oklahoma, vs. Oklahoma State ... Produced nine multi-tackle games ... Credited with career-high-tying 11 stops (a career-high tying nine solos) and one pass breakup vs. Texas State ... Tallied nine tackles (five solos) vs. No. 19 Texas ... Also had nine tackles (two solos) vs. Colorado and six tackles (two solos) at Texas A&M ... Started nine games and played 624 snaps for third Baylor letter ... Played 54 or more snaps in every appearance with a career-high tying 92 downs against Texas State.

2006: Played and started 10 games as a sophomore free safety to earn 2006 honorable mention All-Big 12 recognition from both the league coaches and Associated Press after playing behind two-time All-Big 12 performer Maurice Lane in 2005 ... Ranked fifth on team in tackles with 55 (26 solos) to go with three interceptions and four pass breakups, both of which ranked T-No. 2 on squad ... T-No. 29 (No. 12 among DBs) in Big 12 with 5.50 tackles per game ... T-No. 8 in Big 12 and No. 93 nationally with 0.30 picks per game ... Totaled five or more tackles in seven of 10 starts ... Registered 10 tackles (a career-best nine solos) and picked off Kansas' final pass to seal Baylor's 36-35 come-from-behind win over the Jayhawks ... Had a career-high two pass breakups at No. 6 Texas ... Recorded a career-high 11 tackles (career-best five solos) at Colorado ... Named Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week by both the league and *San Antonio Express-News* after totaling five tackles (three solos), two interceptions and a pass breakup vs. Kansas State ... Posted six tackles (three solos) vs. Northwestern State and had five stops on four occasions (vs. No. 22 TCU, at Washington State, vs. Army and Kansas State) ... Missed Baylor's games at Texas Tech and at Oklahoma State with a sore knee ... Played 598 snaps, including a high of 81 at Colorado, to earn second varsity letter.

2005: Standout prep tailback saw action in all 11 games as a redshirt freshman free safety for the 2005 Bears behind two-time All-Big 12 performer Maurice Lane and started the season-finale against Oklahoma State in Lane's place ... Credited with 14 tackles (four solos) on season, with two pass breakups, an interception and a tackle for loss ... Registered season-high four tackles (one solo) and first career tackle for loss against No. 16 Texas Tech ... Tallied three tackles (one solo) and first career interception, which was returned six yards, against Oklahoma State on a career-high 92 plays ... Also had two stops vs. Samford ... Recorded pass breakups vs. Samford and at Iowa State ... Played 436 snaps to earn first varsity letter ... Named to spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

2004: Sat out his freshman season as a redshirt and made the switch from running back to safety.

High School: Giddings High School, Giddings, Texas ... Unanimous all-district honoree after rushing for a district-best 1,110 yards and 10 touchdowns as a senior for the 7-4 Buffaloes who lost in the bi-district playoffs ... Also caught 12 passes for 198 yards ... Two-year starter and three-year member of Giddings varsity football team ... All-district defensive back as a junior ... District and regional champion in the 100 and 200 meters who finished fourth at 2004 3A state meet in both events ... Giddings' 2004 Track Athlete of the Year ... Regional meet qualifier in track as a junior ... Selected Baylor over TCU, Rice and Houston ... Coached by Derek Fitzhenry at the District 24-3A school.

Personal: The son of Dwain and LaDressa Crawford, Dwain Spencer Crawford Jr. was born Jan. 6, 1986, in Giddings, Texas ... Speech Communication major.

CRAWFORD'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 11 twice
Solo Tackles: 9 twice
Tackles for Loss: 1 vs. Texas Tech, Oct. 29, 2005
Interceptions: 2 vs. Kansas State, Sept. 30, 2006
Pass Breakups: 2 at Texas, Oct. 14, 2006

CRAWFORD'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2004		Redshirted							
2005	11/1	4	10	14	1.0-1	0.0-0	0/0	2	1-6
2006	10/10	26	29	55	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	4	3-15
2007	9/9	25	23	48	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	2	0-0
Totals	**30/20**	**55**	**62**	**117**	**1.0-1**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**8**	**4-21**

27 DOMINIQUE CRISS

CB • 5-9 • 181 • SO-1L • ARLINGTON, TEXAS (BOWIE)

2007: Second-team Academic All-Big 12 selection as a redshirt freshman cornerback ... Registered 10 tackles (six solos) in 11 appearances ... Had a career-high tying three tackles (two solos) and first career tackle for loss vs. No. 19 Texas ... Also credited with three tackles (one solo) vs. Rice and two stops (one solo) at No. 20 Kansas ... Had a pass breakup at Buffalo ... Tallied one solo tackle and a forced fumble in debut at No. 22 TCU ... Three multi-tackle efforts ... Saw action on 195 snaps to earn first Baylor letter ... Career-high 39 plays vs. No. 19 Texas.

2006: Redshirted in first year as a Bear ... Scout team MVP ... Fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll selection.

High School: Bowie High School, Arlington, Texas ... Rated among nation's top 50 prep cornerbacks by Scout.com and as nation's 60th-best prep corner by Rivals.com ... No. 63 on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 Area list ... Member of *Fort Worth Star-Telegram's* Area Top 50 list ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 and *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 selection ... Two-way standout earned 3-star Rivals.com rating ... One of two Arlington Bowie products in Baylor's 2006 recruiting class, joining teammate Chris Buford ... Three-time all-district performer (twice at defensive back and once at running back) ... Totaled 70 tackles, eight pass breakups, one interception and three forced fumbles in 2005 ... Second-team 2005 all-district running back ... Rushed 107 times for a team-high 423 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior in six games ... Also caught 13 passes for 132 yards and one touchdown ... Led Volunteers in scoring with 54 points ... Had 115 tackles and nine sacks as a junior in 2004 ... Had 18 scholarship offers and selected Baylor from a list that included Texas, LSU, Minnesota, Boston College, Oklahoma State and Tulsa ... Coached by father, Anthony Criss, at the District 7-5A school.

Personal: The son of Anthony and Patra Criss, Dominique Criss was born Oct. 13, 1987, in Fort Worth, Texas ... Business major.

CRISS' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 3, twice
Solo Tackles: 2 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007
Tackles for Loss: 1 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007
Pass Breakups: 1 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007

CRISS' CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2006		Redshirted							
2007	11/0	6	4	10	1.0-1	0.0-0	1/0	1	0-0
Totals	**11/0**	**6**	**4**	**10**	**1.0-1**	**0.0-0**	**1/0**	**1**	**0-0**

98 RYAN DOUGLASS

DE • 6-3 • 263 • FR-RS • LEANDER, TEXAS (LEANDER)

2007: Elected to take a redshirt year as a freshman.

High School: Leander High School, Leander, Texas ... Ranked 96th on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 State list compiled by Rivals.com ... Also rated nation's 38th-best defensive end by Rivals.com ... 3-star Rivals.com ranking ... *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* State 100 member ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 recruit ... *Austin American-Statesman* first-team All-Centex ... Received honorable mention 2006 Class 5A all-state honors from both Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association ... 2006 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 pick was a second-team preseason Super Team selection and tabbed one of state's top 20 defensive linemen ... Helped Lions to a 10-3 record and the District 14-5A title as a senior ... 2006 District 14-5A and *Hill Country News* Lineman of the Year ... As a senior, totaled 70 tackles (29 solos) with 13 for loss, six quarterback sacks, three pass breakups, one forced fumble and two fumble recoveries ... As a junior, credited with a team-high 4.5 sacks and 12 stops behind the line to earn all-district and All-Central Texas honors for a 10-2 Lion squad which reached Class 5A playoffs ... Started prep career at Luling (Texas) High School before transferring to Leander prior to junior year ... Selected Baylor over Oklahoma, Texas A&M, Oklahoma State, Colorado State and Missouri ... Coached by Steve Gideon at the District 14-5A school.

Personal: The son of Dana Swann, Ryan E. Douglass was born Sept. 2, 1988, in San Marcos, Texas ... Relative of 2007 Oklahoma football signee Desmond Jackson, a defensive back from Seguin, Texas ... Business major.

38 DEREK EPPERSON

P • 6-3 • 230 • SO-1L • SOUTHLAKE, TEXAS (KELLER)

2007: As a true freshman, ranked No. 9 in the Big 12 and No. 86 nationally with a 39.1-yard average on 66 punts en route to honorable mention freshman All-America honors from *The Sporting News* and All-Big 12 freshman honors from same publication ... Also had 12 boots inside the 20, 17 that were fair caught and three touchbacks ... Recorded eight punts of 50-plus yards on year with a career-long 63-yarder vs. Texas Tech ... Averaged 40.0 yards or better in five games as a rookie, including a 40.8-yard mark against Oklahoma State in season finale ... Over final four games averaged 40.6 yards per punt (38.1 average in first eight games) ... On career-high tying eight punts vs. Texas Tech averaged 42.2 yards per kick ... Averaged 40.3 yards on seven kicks at Kansas State ... Placed two of five punts inside the 20 vs. No. 19 Texas and averaged 37.6 yards per punt (net 37.4 ypp) ... Averaged 40.3 yards on career-high eight punts at Texas A&M with a career-best three inside the 20 and long of 53 ... Averaged career-best 46.5 yards on four boots vs. Texas State with one inside the 20 and a long of 52 ... Fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll selection ... Saw action on 70 snaps as a rookie to earn first Baylor letter.

High School: Keller High School, Keller, Texas ... Rated 82nd on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... Averaged 43 yards per boot as a senior en route to first-team District 5-5A honors ... Had eight punts inside the 20 as a senior for the Indians ... 5A Academic All-State Elite selection ... Also a member of the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram's* Area Top 50 ... Placed third in kickoff completion at 2006 Randy Rogers' Lone Star Kicking Challenge ... As a junior, averaged 42 yards per punt with a hang time of 4.3-4.5 seconds ... Also handled kickoff

chores for the Indians ... Selected Baylor over Northwestern and Rice ... National Honor Society member ranked 15th in 650-person senior class ... Listed in Who's Who Among America's High School Students ... Coached by Kevin Atkinson at the District 5-5A school.

Personal: The son of Jeff and Laura Epperson, Derek Andrew Epperson was born April 28, 1989, in Houston, Texas ... Would like to become an orthopedic doctor after punting in the NFL ... Business major.

EPPERSON'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Punts: 8, twice
Punting Average: 46.5 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (4 punts)
Punts of 50-plus yards: 2 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2007
Punts Inside the 20: 3 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2007

EPPERSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

PUNTING

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	50+	IN20	LP/OPPONENT
2007	12	66	2,579	39.1	8	12	63/Texas Tech

Other: Rushing: 2007: 1-[-7]-0; **Career:** 1-[-7]-0; **Tackles: 2007:** 1-1-2; **Career:** 1-1-2

23 JUSTIN FENTY

IR • 5-10 • 172 • JR-2L • DENTON, TEXAS (RYAN)

2007: Tied for No. 8 on squad in receptions with 18 for 154 yards as a sophomore ... Registered 12 receptions over season's first four games but had just six in last seven appearances ... Played in 11 games and drew two starts at inside receiver--vs. Texas State and at Texas A&M ... Team-high five receptions for 35 yards at No. 22 TCU in season-opener; caught three balls in three other games (for 23 yards vs. No. 19 Texas, 15 yards at Buffalo and season-high 53 yards vs. Texas State) ... Effort against Texas State included career-long 27-yard grab ... Five of nine career multi-catch games came as sophomore ... 25 of 37 career receptions away from Floyd Casey Stadium, including 10 of 18 2007 grabs ... Saw action on 343 plays to earn second Baylor letter ... Played 30 or more snaps seven times with a career-high 53 plays vs. No. 19 Texas.

2006: One of three true freshmen who played for Baylor in 2006, joining wide receivers David Gettis and Ernest Smith ... Saw action in 10 games and drew three starts as an inside receiver ... Named to *The Sporting News'* Big 12 All-Freshman team ... Pulled from a redshirt year in Baylor's third game of the season at Washington State ... Was the Bears' seventh-leading receiver on season with 19 receptions for 183 yards and one touchdown ... Recorded four multi-catch games ... 15 of 19 receptions away from Floyd Casey Stadium ... In debut at Washington State, caught five passes for a career-best 65 yards with first career reception being a 12-yard touchdown grab from Shawn Bell ... Totaled a career-high seven receptions for 52 yards at Colorado ... Also had three receptions for 24 yards vs. Army and two for 19 yards at No. 6 Texas ... Rushed four times for no yards ... Drew starts vs. Kansas State, at Colorado and at Oklahoma State ... Played 271 snaps to earn first varsity letter.

High School: Ryan High School, Denton, Texas ... A three-year starter and all-district wide receiver at 5A power Denton Ryan, he helped the Raiders to a 33-8 record over that stretch ... Ranked No. 100 on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 Area list ... Caught 60 passes for 866 yards and 10 touchdowns as a senior en route to first-team all-district honors ... No. 10 among all 2005 5A Metroplex performers in receiving yards ... Helped Raiders to a 7-4 record and the first-round of the 2005 Class 5A playoffs ... As a junior, caught a school-record 84 balls for 1,397 yards and 17 touchdowns ... Second-leading receiver among 2004 Class 5A Metroplex performers ... Earned first-team 2004 Texas Sports Writers Association Class 5A all-state honors and honorable mention recognition from Associated Press ... Holds Raider single-game records for receptions (12), receiving yards (225) and long reception (94 yards) ... Shared 2004 MVP honor after helping team to 12-2 record ... Raiders went 14-2 sophomore season, won the district title and finished as state runner-up ... Also considered UTEP ... A-B Honor Roll member ... Coached by Joey Florence at the District 5-5A school.

Personal: The son of Pamela Sheppeard and Travis Fenty, Justin M. Fenty was born Nov. 2, 1987, in Denton, Texas, and will turn 21 the day after the Bears host Missouri ... General Studies major.

FENTY'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 7 at Colorado, Oct. 7, 2006 (52 yards)
Receiving Yards: 65 at Washington State, Sept. 16, 2006 (5 rec.)
Receiving Touchdowns: 1 at Washington State, Sept. 16, 2006

FENTY'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	10/3	19	183	9.6	1	19/at Washington State
2007	11/2	18	154	8.6	0	27/Texas State
Career	**21/5**	**37**	**337**	**9.1**	**1**	**27/Texas State, 2007**

Other: Rushing: 2006: 4-0; **2007:** 1-5; **Career:** 5-5

52 TY FINDLEY

LB • 6-0 • 214 • SR-1L • MARSHALL, TEXAS (ELYSIAN FIELDS)

2007: As a junior, played in seven games and was credited with one assisted tackle ... Played 71 snaps, all on special teams, over season's final seven games ... Received first varsity letter.

2006: Saw action in one game as a sophomore linebacker ... Credited with two assisted tackles against Northwestern State ... Dressed for seven other games ... Played six snaps ... Named to fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

2005: Redshirt freshman did not see any game action ... Fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member.

2004: Made team as a walk-on, but took redshirt year ... Spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll selection.

High School: Elysian Fields High School, Elysian Fields, Texas ... Garnered second-team TexasHSfootball.com All-Texas honors and second-team Class 2A honors as a senior linebacker ... Also earned All-East Texas honors, as well as 20-2A All-District recognition ... All-State academic team ... Played in National All-Stars.com Bowl ... As a senior, credited with 104 tackles, five sacks, two interceptions, four fumble recoveries, two forced fumbles and two blocked punts ... Returned one fumble for a touchdown ... Three-year letterman helped Yellowjackets to 30-8 record on the field, three district crowns and three bi-district titles ... National Honor Society member was also listed in Who's Who and graduated in the Top 10 percent of class ... Played for coach Phil Castles at the District 20-2A school.

Personal: The son of Steve and Kim Findley, Ty Douglas Findley was born April 15, 1986, in Longview, Texas ... Has seven siblings ... Likes to fish ... Mechanical engineering major.

32 JAY FINLEY

RB • 5-11• 202 • SO-1L • CORSICANA, TEXAS (CORSICANA)

2007: Redshirt freshman running back was Baylor's No. 2 rusher (17.2 ypg) and averaged 3.8 yards per carry on 55 totes with two touchdowns ... One of two Bears to score both a rushing and receiving touchdown on year ... Ranked No. 8 on squad in receptions, along with Justin Fenty, with 18 grabs for 152 yards and one touchdown ... Recorded six multi-catch games and totaled five or more totes in six contests ... In first career start at Buffalo, had a career-high 15 rushes for a career-best 80 yards and caught three passes for 21 yards ... Rushed for 20 or more yards in three other contests ... Registered two of the Bears' five rushing touchdowns on season, scoring on the ground at Texas A&M and vs. Colorado ... Tallied career-high four receptions for career-best 45 yards and one TD, a career-long 24-yard grab, vs. Texas State ... Also had three receptions at Buffalo (for 21 yards) and vs. Colorado (17 yards) ... Played 289 snaps in 12 appearances, including a career-high 58 plays vs. Buffalo, to receive first Baylor letter.

2006: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman.

High School: Corsicana High School, Corsicana, Texas ... Committed to Baylor prior to the start of senior year ... Rated nation's 49th-best running back by Rivals.com ... No. 82 on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... 3-star ranking from Rivals.com ... Honorable mention all-state by Texas Sports Writers Association ... In two seasons at Corsicana, rushed for 2,148 yards and 18 touchdowns while averaging 7.2 yards per carry ... Carried 206 times for 1,404 yards and 12 touchdowns in senior season while helping Tigers to an 8-3 record, a district runner-up finish and the second-round of the Class 4A playoffs ... Averaged 6.8 yards per tote in final prep season to garner unanimous first-team all-district honors ... 11th-leading rusher among 2005 Class 4A DFW Metroplex preps ... Registered seven 100-yard rushing performances as a senior, one of which was a career-high 220-yard effort on 19 carries against Willis ... Rushed for 201 yards and one touchdown against Waco's University High ... Recorded double-digit carries in every 2005 contest ... Also threw a touchdown pass and caught 14 passes for 119 yards and one touchdown ... Led team in scoring with 78 points ... Rushed for 744 yards and six touchdowns on just 94 carries as a junior despite missing Tigers' first three games ... Produced three, 100-yard efforts as a junior and helped Tigers capture a district title, advance to the Class 4A Division II region semifinals and post an 11-4 record ... Also considered Oklahoma State, Utah, Louisiana-Monroe and UTEP ... Coached by Dave Henigan at the District 14-4A school.

Personal: The son of Willie Mae Curry, Jay Flemmie Finley was born May 15, 1988, in Corsicana, Texas ... Nicknamed Sho ... General Studies major.

FINLEY'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushes: 15 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007 (80 yards)
Rushing Yards: 80 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007 (15 att.)
Rushing Touchdowns: 1, twice
Receptions: 4 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (45 yards)
Receiving Yards: 45 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (4 rec.)
Receiving Touchdowns: 1 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007
Long Reception: 24 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (TD)

FINLEY'S CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING

YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	Redshirted					
2007	12/1	55	207	3.8	2	14/at Buffalo
Career	**12/1**	**55**	**207**	**3.8**	**2**	**14/at Buffalo, 2007**

Other: Receiving: 2006: Redshirted; **2007:** 18-152-1 TD; **Career:** 18-152-1 TD

36 CHRIS FRANCIS

LB • 5-11 • 229 • SO-1L • CEDAR HILL, TEXAS (CEDAR HILL)

2007: Saw action in 11 games as a true freshman linebacker and registered 19 tackles (eight solos) to earn a spot on *The Sporting News'* All-Big 12 freshman team ... Registered a career-high five tackles (two solo) vs. Colorado; one of five multi-tackle games he produced as a rookie ... Also had three stops at No. 4 Oklahoma (1 solo) and vs. Oklahoma State (2 solo) ... Recorded first career interception at Oklahoma, which he returned two yards ... Had one kickoff return for six yards ... Missed season-opener at No. 22 TCU with a knee injury sustained in fall camp ... Played 224 snaps for first Baylor letter with a high of 32, twice.

High School: Cedar Hill High School, Cedar Hill, Texas ... One of three sons of former Baylor football All-Americans to follow in their father's footsteps to Waco ... Committed to Baylor prior to the start of senior year ... The son of former Baylor All-American and 1989 consensus All-SWC linebacker James Francis, the younger Francis ranked as nation's 62nd-best outside linebacker by Rivals.com ... 3-star rating by Rivals.com ... Rated 50th on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 list and 80th on the *San Antonio Express-News* Texas Top 100, Francis joined Cedar Hill teammates Romie Blaylock and John Jones in the Bears' 2007 recruiting class ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 recruit ... 2006 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 pick was tabbed one of state's top 20 linebackers by the same publication ... 2006 Texas Sports Writers Association Class 5A Defensive Player of the Year ... First-team Class 5A all-state selection by Texas Sports Writers Association, District 8-5A co-defensive MVP and first-team *Dallas Morning News* All-Area selection ... Totaled 212 tackles, nine tackles for loss, five sacks, three forced fumbles, six fumble recoveries and one interception for the Class 5A Division II champion and 16-0 Longhorns ... Biggest tackle of season came against Garland in state semifinals, when on fourth-and-1, he and teammate Cameron Thompson stopped running back Dwight Hamilton for no gain with eight seconds left to preserve Longhorns' 31-24 victory ... Defensive MVP of Cedar Hill's 51-17 5A Division II state championship victory over Cypress Falls ... Credited with 136 tackles as a junior en route to first-team District 7-5A honors ... Active in FCA ... Also considered Colorado, UConn, Houston, Missouri, Rice, TCU, Tulane, UNLV and UTEP ... Coached by Joey McGuire at the District 8-5A school.

Personal: The son of James Francis and Rosalyn Johnson, Chris Michael Francis was born Nov. 25, 1988, in Waco, Texas ... Father, James, was a first-round draft choice of the NFL's Cincinnati Bengals in the 1990 NFL Draft and played with the Bengals from 1990 through 1998 before ending career with the Washington Redskins in 1999 ... James Francis is the fifth-leading tackler in Baylor football history with 334 stops and he blocked a single-season school- and NCAA-record eight kicks as a senior in 1989 ... Chris' uncle, cornerback Ron Francis, also played at Baylor and was drafted in the second round of the 1987 NFL Draft by the Dallas Cowboys, where he played from 1987 through 1990 ... Enjoys playing video games and working out ... General Studies major.

FRANCIS' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 5 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007
Solo Tackles: 2, twice
Interceptions: 1 at Oklahoma, Nov. 10, 2007

FRANCIS' CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2007	11/0	8	11	19	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	1-2

Other: Kickoff Returns: 2007: 1-6-0; **Career:** 1-6-0

7 KIRBY FREEMAN

QB • 6-3 • 206 • SR-TR • BROWNWOOD, TEXAS (BROWNWOOD/MIAMI, FLA.)

Kirby Freeman took advantage of an NCAA rule which allows student-athletes to graduate and transfer without penalty, which he did by graduating from Miami, Fla., in December 2007 and enrolling in a master's program at Baylor in January 2008 ... A three-year letterwinner for the Hurricanes, Freeman emerged from spring practice sharing the top line on the Baylor depth chart at quarterback with junior Blake Szymanski and true freshman Robert Griffin, and will have one season of eligibility remaining at Baylor.

At Miami, Fla.: Made seven career starts under center for the Hurricane--the final four games of 2006 and three as a junior in 2007 ... In 24 career games over three seasons, completed 92-of-197 passes (46.7 percent) for 1,311 yards, 12 touchdowns and 16 interceptions ... As a junior, started three of seven appearances and completed 18-of-58 passes for 256 yards with three touchdowns and six interceptions ... Also rushed 22 times for 50 yards with a long run of 14 yards ... Started Miami's games vs. Marshall, at Oklahoma and vs. North Carolina State ... Threw for a season-high 84 yards against North Carolina State with all of the yardage coming off a career-long touchdown throw ... Miami's backup quarterback as a sophomore took over in the 10th game of the 2006 season when Kyle Wright was injured ... Started last four games and had a 2-2 record ... Led team to victories over 18th-ranked Boston College and Nevada in the MPC Computers Bowl ... Played in eight games, completing 59-of-108 passes (54.6 percent) for 872 yards, seven TDs and eight interceptions ... Also rushed 41 times for 109 yards and one score ... Was sacked only six times in four starts ... Made first start of collegiate career at No. 23 Maryland and nearly led UM to an upset, only four days after teammate Bryan Pata was murdered ... Completed 14-of-27 passes for 140 yards, one TD and one interception against the Terps while rushing for 51 yards on nine carries ... Started at Virginia and completed 11-of-18 passes for 152 yards, one TD, a 77-yard strike, and one interception ... Led UM to a 17-14 come-from-behind victory over No. 18-ranked Boston College on Thanksgiving night, earning his first victory as a starter ... Hit 13-of-26 passes for 181 yards, with one TD and three interceptions against the Eagles ... Threw for a career-high 272 yards and two touchdowns while also running for another score in Miami's 21-20 win over Nevada on New Year's Eve at the MPC Computers Bowl in Boise, Idaho, and earned MVP honors in Larry Cokers' final game as the Hurricanes' head coach ... Ran for a one-yard TD, the first of his career, to open the scoring against Nevada, then tossed touchdown passes of 52 yards and 78 yards, UM's longest pass plays of the season ... Backed up Kyle Wright as a redshirt freshman in 2005 as the No. 2 quarterback ... Played in nine games, seeing considerable action in several of them, especially the upset win at Virginia Tech ... For the year, completed 15-of-31 passes (48.4 percent) for 183 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions ... Showed running ability with eight rushes for 38 yards ... Named team's Offensive Rookie of the Year ... Tossed a pair of TD passes against Duke ... Completed 7-of-11 passes against Temple for season-high 121 yards ... Came off the bench at Virginia Tech when Wright was injured, and played three series, leading the team to its first TD in a 27-7 upset ...Played in fourth quarter of Peach Bowl loss to Louisiana State with two pass attempts and one interception ... Redshirted as a true freshman at Miami in 2004.

High School: Brownwood High School, Brownwood, Texas ... Played on the varsity all four years of high school career for father, Steve Freeman at the District 8-4A school ... *SuperPrep* All-American ... Rated the nation's No. 12 quarterback and the No. 13 overall prospect in Texas by *SuperPrep* ... Nation's No. 42 prospect overall and the No. 10 quarterback by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Rated the No. 16 player in Texas on the Rivals.com/*Dallas Morning News* Texas Top 100 ... Rated the No. 26 player on Rivals.com's Midlands Sweet 66 ... Rated the nation's No. 6 dual-threat quarterback by Rivals.com ... Rated the No. 19 player in Texas on the *Austin American-Statesman's* Fab 55 ... Texas 2003 Class 4A-5A All-Big Country Defensive Player of the Year for his punting prowess by the *Amarillo Reporter-News* ... 2003 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 pick was tabbed one of state's top 15 signal callers by the same publication ... As a senior in 2003, passed for 1,454 yards and 10 touchdowns with four interceptions on 71-of-123 passing ... Also ran for 956 yards and 14 touchdowns on 128 carries ... As a punter, averaged 43.7 yards per boot ... Helped Brownwood to an 11-1 season in 2003, reaching the Class 4A area round (missed four games with injuries) ... As a junior in 2002, passed for 1,487 yards while completing 87-of-150 passes, 14 touchdowns and eight interceptions, for a team that advanced to the Class 4A Division I state semifinals ... Rushed for 1,135 yards on 173 carries, averaging 6.56 yards per carry, and scoring 18 TDs ... Selected Miami over Purdue, Oklahoma State, Arizona, Arizona State, Nebraska, Texas and UCLA.

Personal: The son of Steve and Jani Freeman, Kirby Lyn Freeman was born March 28, 1985, in Abilene, Texas ... Has been playing football since age four ... Received undergraduate degree from Miami in Sports Administration and is majoring in Sports Pedagogy at Baylor.

KIRBY FREEMAN'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS (At Miami, Fla.)

Rushes: 10, twice
Rushing Yards: 51 at Maryland, Nov. 11, 2006 (9 att.)
Rushing Touchdowns: 1 vs. Nevada, Dec. 31, 2006
Long Rush: 31 at Virginia Tech, Nov. 18, 2006
Pass Attempts: 27 at Maryland, Nov. 11, 2006 (14 comp.)
Pass Completions: 14 at Maryland, Nov. 11, 2006 (27 att.)
Touchdown Passes: 2 vs. Nevada, Dec. 31, 2006
Interceptions: 3, twice
Passing Yards: 272 vs. Nevada, Dec. 31, 2006

KIRBY FREEMAN'S CAREER STATISTICS (At Miami, Fla.)

PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	PCT	YDS	INT	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2004	Redshirted							
2005	9/0	15	31	.484	183	2	2	55/at Temple
2006	8/4	59	108	.546	872	8	7	78/Nevada (TD)
2007	7/3	18	58	.310	256	6	3	84/N.C. State (TD)
Totals	**24/3**	**92**	**197**	**.467**	**1,311**	**16**	**12**	**84/N.C. State, 2007 (TD)**

Other: Rushing: 2004: Redshirt; **2005:** 8-38-0; **2006:** 41-109-1; **2007:** 22-50-0; **Career:** 71-197-1 TD

49 LEON FREEMAN

DE • 6-2 • 241 • SR-1L • VERO BEACH, FLA. (VERO BEACH/MESA CC)

2007: One of three junior college transfers to join the Baylor program at mid-year, Freeman played in every game (one start) as a junior defensive end for the Bears and registered a team-high 9.5 tackles for loss (totaling 39 yards) ... Also ranked T-No. 3 on the squad in quarterback sacks (3.0) and T-No. 10 in total tackles with 38 (21 solos) ... In Big 12 games only, ranked No. 4 in tackles for loss with 1.0 per game as 8.0 of his 9.5 stops on the season behind the line came in conference play ... Credited with two or more tackles in 10 of 12 appearances ... Career-high eight tackles (three solo) against Oklahoma State in first career start ... Had three tackles, all solos, at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Totaled five tackles (four solos), three of which were for loss, and two sacks against No. 19 Texas ... Also had five tackles (two solos), including two for loss, at Texas A&M ... Named to spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

Junior College: Mesa Community College, Mesa, Ariz. ... 3-star Rivals.com recruit ... No. 75 on Rivals.com's Junior College Top 100 and was listed as the nation's No. 8 inside linebacker by JCGridiron.com ... Second-team All-Western States Football League and first-team All-Region I selection ... NJCAA Preseason All-American ... Totaled 49 tackles, including 13 stops behind the line and three pass breakups, as a linebacker in final season at Mesa ... As a freshman, totaled 34 tackles and six sacks ... 2005 and 2006 All-Arizona combine team member ... Also considered Cal, Iowa State, Kansas State, Utah, UTEP and Washington State.

High School: Vero Beach High School, Vero Beach, Fla. ... As a senior outside linebacker, he led the team with 100 tackles.

Personal: The son of Leon Freeman and Gloria Freeman, Leon Freeman Jr. was born Oct. 31, 1982, in Vero Beach, Fla., and will celebrate his 26th birthday the day before the Bears' Nov. 1 game vs. Missouri ... Enlisted in the U.S. Army after graduating from high school and spent nearly six months in Iraq with Bravo Company 1-41 Infantry ... Received an honorable discharge as a Private First Class after three years in the U.S. Army ... General studies major.

LEON FREEMAN'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 8 vs. Oklahoma State, Nov. 17, 2007
Solo Tackles: 4, twice
Tackles For Loss: 3 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007
Sacks: 2 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007

LEON FREEEMAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2007	12/1	21	17	38	9.5-39	3.0-20	0/0	0	0-0

71 DAN GAY

OT • 6-5 • 282 • SR-3L • LAFAYETTE, LA. (ST. THOMAS MORE)

A converted defensive tackle and 2008 honors candidate, fifth-year senior offensive tackle **Dan Gay** is one of nine returning offensive starters, four of whom play in the trenches ... Enters 2008 having started 22 consecutive games along the Bears' offensive line ... His 22 career starts equal the second-most overall among returning Bears (Joe Pawelek and Vincent Rhodes have also made 22 career starts).

2007: Started every game of junior year--one at left offensive guard (at No. 22 TCU), five at left tackle (Rice, Texas State, Buffalo, No. 20 Kansas and No. 19 Texas) in place of the injured Jason Smith and the remaining six at right tackle, en route to honorable mention All-Big 12 honors from the league's coaches ... Second-team All-Texas selection by *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football* magazine ... One of three Baylor offensive linemen to start every game in 2007, joining center J.D. Walton and right offensive guard James Barnard ... Key cog in a Baylor offensive line which yielded just 21 sacks (in a school-record 561 pass attempts) on the season, the program's fewest since 1995 ... Named Baylor's Most Improved Offensive Player ... Played 908 snaps on year to rank third on team overall (No. 2 among BU offensive performers) behind free safety Jordan Lake's team-high 974 snaps and J.D. Walton's 911 plays ... Took 72 or more snaps nine times with a high of 95 plays at Buffalo ... Earned third varsity letter ... Baylor Leadership Academy graduate.

2006: Spent first two years at Baylor as a defensive tackle, but moved to offensive guard prior to the start of 2006 spring drills and went on to make 10 starts in 12 appearances on the right side at new position as sophomore ... Played every offensive snap in eight of 10 2006 starts ... All-told, played 683 snaps on year to earn second Baylor monogram.

2005: Redshirt freshman defensive tackle played in four games to earn first varsity letter ... Recorded five tackles, all assisted, on season ... Posted a career-high two tackles (both assisted) against No. 2 Texas ... Played 81 snaps.

2004: One of two non-Texans in Baylor's 2004 recruiting class ... Sat out season as a redshirt.

High School: St. Thomas More Catholic High School, Lafayette, La. ... As a senior for the Cougars' 7-5 district championship football team, he earned honorable mention all-district honors in his only season of high school football ... Spent three seasons on Saint Thomas' varsity basketball team, earning honorable mention all-district honors as a junior ... Was a member of St. Thomas More's 2002 basketball squad which claimed a district title and finished second at state tournament ... Honor student ... Selected Baylor over Vanderbilt, Tulane, Louisiana Tech, Louisiana-Lafayette and Louisiana-Monroe ... Coached by Jim Hightower at the District 5-4A school.

Personal: The son of Dan and Jacqueline Gay, Dan Gay IV was born Aug. 29, 1986, in Lafayette, La., and will celebrate his 22nd birthday the day before the Bears' Aug. 30 season-opener vs. Wake Forest ... Speech Communication major.

51 ADAM GEIB

DE • 6-5 • 247 • SR-SQ • WACO, TEXAS (MIDWAY/AIR FORCE ACADEMY)

2007: Saw action in five games as a junior defensive end ... Registered two tackles (one solo) ... Had an assisted tackle vs. Rice and a solo stop at Texas A&M ... Missed season's final five games due to injury ... Played 34 snaps on season, 21 of which came at No. 20 Kansas.

2006: Transferred into the Baylor program in January 2006 from the Air Force Academy and sat out the 2006 season per NCAA rules ... Named to 2007 spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

At Air Force: Spent first season at Air Force Prep School and one year on the Air Force Academy's freshman team before leaving at the end of the 2005 fall term.

High School: Midway High School, Waco, Texas ... First-team all-district and honorable mention all-state as a senior ... Totaled 143 tackles and three interceptions as the Panthers' starting middle linebacker in just 10 games as a senior en route to team defensive MVP honors ... Had 103 tackles as a junior and 67 as a sophomore ... Coached by Kent Bachtel at the District 16-4A school.

Personal: The son of Harry and Judy Geib, Adam R. Geib was born June 25, 1984, in Waco, Texas ... Parents are both Baylor graduates ... General Studies major.

GEIB'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 1, twice
Solo Tackles: 1 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2007

GEIB'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2006	Redshirted								
2007	5/0	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
Totals	**5/0**	**1**	**1**	**2**	**0.0-0**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**0**	**0-0**

4 DAVID GETTIS

WR • 6-4 • 209 • JR-2L • LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (DORSEY)

Junior speedster **David Gettis,** one of nine returning offensive starters for the 2008 Bears, is poised for a breakout season after a solid all-around 2007 campaign ... Gettis' 22.44-yard kickoff return average ranks 10th on Baylor's all-time list.

2007: Played in every game and made eight starts at wide receiver as a sophomore to earn second Baylor letter ... Ranked No. 5 on squad in both receptions (31) and receiving yards (407), but was one of only two Bears with at least 12 receptions not to catch a TD pass ... Averaged 13.1 yards per reception to rank No. 3 on squad ... Recorded 12 plays of 25-plus yards on season (five receptions and seven returns) ... 30 of 35 career receptions off Blake Szymanski throws ... Nine career multi-catch games, included eight in 2007 ... Registered at least one reception in 11 of 12 games as a sophomore ... Had a career-high eight receptions for career-best 99 yards vs. Colorado in second career start; totaled career-high 225 all-purpose yards (99 receiving and 126 kickoff return) against Buffs to tie the fifth-best one-game total in school history ... Caught four passes vs. No. 19 Texas (for 73 yards) and at No. 4 Oklahoma (30 yards) ... Recorded a career-long 69-yard catch at Texas A&M in first career start ... Also returned 34 kickoffs for 763 yards and one touchdown, a 97-yard return for a score, at No. 20 Kansas ... The 97-yard kickoff return TD ranked as the seventh-longest in school history ... His 22.4-yard kickoff return average ranked No. 12 in Big 12 and No. 87 nationally ... In Big 12 games only, ranked No. 12 in kickoff return average (22.5 ypr) ... His 34 kickoff returns ranked No. 3 on Baylor's single-season list, while the 763 return yards were a school single-season record ... Totaled 1,170 all-purpose yards on season--just 14 yards shy of a spot on the school's one-season chart ... Averaged 126.8 all-purpose yards per game to rank No. 10 in Big 12 for league games only ... Saw action on 612 snaps with a high of 68 vs. Colorado ... Played 40 or more downs 10 times.

2006: Played in 11 games behind senior wide receiver Trent Shelton and registered four receptions for 82 yards and one touchdown ... Averaged a team-best 20.50 yards per catch ... Totaled season-high two receptions for 62 yards at Oklahoma State, one of which was a 51-yard touchdown catch from Blake Szymanski ... Recorded first career catch, a 13-yarder, at Texas Tech, and had a seven-yard grab vs. No. 16 Oklahoma ... Also a member of the Baylor track team ... Saw action on 57 snaps to pick up first letter.

High School: Dorsey High School, Los Angeles ... Signed with Baylor in 2004 and enrolled in June 2006 ... Baylor's first commitment to play in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... Caught a 39-yard touchdown pass in 2005 All-American Bowl ... Ranked California's 50th-best prep and nation's 26th-best receiver in 2004 by Rivals.com ... Golden State's 38th-best player by *SuperPrep* ... Caught 31 passes for 600 yards and nine touchdowns in final prep season en route to all-city honors ... Also played free safety for the Dons, totaling 40 tackles, three interceptions and six pass breakups ... Had 23 receptions for 496 yards and seven

scores as a junior ... California's first prep ever to capture three consecutive state 400 meter titles, also won Los Angeles City 400 crowns as a junior and senior ... Won state 400 title in 47.1 seconds as a sophomore, then ran a 46.3 to claim his second state 400 gold medal in 2004 and smoked the field by nearly two seconds to win in 45.84 as a senior in 2005 ... His 45.84 400 was nation's fastest by a prep ... Also anchored Dorsey's victorious 4x400-meter relay team and ran second leg of its gold-medal 4x100-meter relay team at 2005 state meet ... Selected *The Los Angeles Times'* 2005 Boys' Track & Field Athlete of the Year ... Had football scholarship offers from Arizona, Arizona State, Washington and San Diego State, as well as a track offer from Southern California ... Played football for coach Ralph Caldwell.

Personal: The son of Dale and Valeri Gettis, David Alexander Gettis was born Aug. 27, 1987, in Cherry Point, N.C. ... Political Science major.

GETTIS' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 8 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007 (99 yards)
Receiving Yards: 99 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007 (8 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 1 at Oklahoma State, Nov. 11, 2006

GETTIS' CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	11/0	4	82	20.5	1	51/at Oklahoma State (TD)
2007	12/8	31	407	13.1	0	69/at Texas A&M
Totals	**23/8**	**35**	**489**	**14.0**	**1**	**69/at Texas A&M, 2007**

Other: Kickoff Returns: 2006: 0-0-0; **2007:** 34-763-1 TD; **Career:** 34-763-1 TD

65 COURTNEY GREEN

OG • 6-4 • 280 • FR-RS • CORSICANA, TEXAS (CORSICANA)

2007 (Redshirt): Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman.

High School: Corsicana High School, Corsicana, Texas ... Ranked No. 22 on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 list, No. 69 on *The Dallas Morning News'* State Top 100 list compiled by Rivals.com and No. 59 on the *San Antonio Express-News* Texas Top 100 list ... Ranked nation's 33rd-best offensive guard prospect by Rivals.com ... *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* State 100, *Houston Chronicl*e Top 100 and *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection ... 2006 second-team Class 4A All-State selection by both Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association ... TexasPrepXtra.com first-team Class 4A All-DFW area honoree ... 2006 *Texas Football* Top 300 pick ... Also considered LSU and Oklahoma State ... Coached by Dave Henigan at the District 14-4A school.

Personal: The son of Aaron and Bobbie Green, Courtney C. Green was born Dec. 1, 1988, in Corsicana, Texas ... Church musician ... Recreation & Leisure Services major.

78 CHRIS GRIESENBECK

OG • 6-6 • 262 • JR-1L • SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (ROBERT E. LEE)

2007: Appeared in six games as a reserve left offensive tackle ... Played 44 snaps at No. 22 TCU in place of the injured Jason Smith and a career-high 67 plays at Buffalo ... For the season, saw action on 165 snaps to receive first letter.

2006: Redshirt freshman dressed for six games but did not see any game action.

2005: Made team as a walk-on, but elected to take a redshirt year as true freshman.

High School: Robert E. Lee High School, San Antonio, Texas ... Played tight end as a prep for the Rebels ... Coached by Jimmy Ramos at the District 26-5A school.

Personal: The son of Chris and Judy Griesenbeck, Chris Garrett Griesenbeck was born Dec. 21, 1986, in San Antonio, Texas ... Management major ... Enjoys camping, hunting and fishing.

10 ROBERT GRIFFIN

QB • 6-3 • 203 • FR-HS • COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS (COPPERAS COVE)

Robert Griffin graduated from Copperas Cove High School in December 2007, enrolled at Baylor in January 2008 and went through spring ball with the Bears ... He emerged from Baylor's spring workouts sharing the top line on the Bears' depth chart at quarterback with senior transfer Kirby Freeman and junior Blake Szymanski ... Following spring ball, joined the Baylor track team and posted nation's fifth-fastest time (50.14) in the 400-meter hurdles the first time he ran as a collegian.

High School: Copperas Cove High School, Copperas Cove, Texas ... Rated nation's No. 3 dual-threat quarterback by Rivals.com ... The 4-star Rivals.com recruit ranked No. 42 on that recruiting service's Texas Top 100 list and No. 50 on the Lone Star Recruiting Texas 100 ... Listed 62nd on *SuperPrep's* Texas 110 list ... Also a 4-star Scout.com recruit who was rated state's 67-best player overall and the nation's 12th-best prep signal caller ... *Houston Chronicle* Texas Top 100 recruit ... No. 54 on the *San Antonio Express-News* Texas Top 100 ... *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* Fab 44 ... No. 55 on *Austin American-Statesman's* Fab 55 ... *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* Texas Top 100 member ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection ranked No. 2 on publication's Central Texas Top 25 list and among its Top 50 recruits overall ... In two seasons as Bulldawgs' starting quarterback, posted a 25-4 record ... Earned first-team 2007 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex honors as a utility player and honorable mention Class 4A all-state honors from The Associated Press ... Was first-team All-District 16-4A quarterback ... 2007 Texas Top 300 member as selected by *Texas Football Magazine*, was ranked among state's top 20 quarterbacks prior to senior season by the same publication ... Rushed for 1,285 yards and 24 touchdowns while passing for 1,356 yards and 16 touchdowns with seven interceptions in leading Bulldawgs to a 13-2 record and a runner-up finish in the 2007 Class 4A Division I playoffs ... Averaged 7.3 yards per rush as senior ... As a junior, passed for 2,001 yards and 25 TDs with just two interceptions, while rushing 876 times and eight TDs en route to first-team All-District 16-4A honors ... All-told in final two prep seasons, rushed for 2,161 yards and 32 touchdowns and threw for 3,357 yards and 41 scores with just nine picks ... One of nation's top high school sprinters, received 2007 Gatorade Texas Boys Track & Field Athlete of the Year award after setting state records in both the 110-(13.55 seconds with a personal best of 13.3) and 300-(35.33 seconds) meter hurdles ... His 300 hurdles time was one-hundredth of a second off the national prep record ... Also posted a 46.9 400 meter PR ... Selected Baylor over Houston, Kansas, Nebraska, Tennessee and Stanford ... Coached by Jack Welch at the District 16-4A school.

Personal: The son of Robert Sr. and Jacqueline Griffin, Robert Lee Griffin was born Feb. 12, 1990, in Japan ... Father is retired U.S. military ... Graduated No. 7 in senior class ... Economics major.

10 JAMEON HARDEMAN

DE • 6-1 • 233 • SO-SQ • DALLAS, TEXAS (JUSTIN F. KIMBALL)

2007: Played in nine games as a reserve redshirt freshman defensive end and was credited with four tackles (two solos), including two for loss ... Credited with a career-high three tackles (one solo), one of which was first career tackle for loss ... Also had a solo stop at Buffalo which was for loss ... Career-high 27 of 123 snaps on season came against Rice.

2006: Originally signed with Arizona State in 2005 but never joined the Sun Devil program ... Enrolled at Baylor in January 2006 and went through spring ball with the Bears ... Sat out 2006 campaign as a redshirt.

High School: Justin F. Kimball High School, Dallas, Texas ... Selected to *The Dallas Morning News'* second-team 2004 all-area squad and was a first-team all-district pick by the same publication ... Member of *Fort Worth Star-Telegram's* State 100 ... No. 47 on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 Area list ... Rated among nation's top 50 defensive linemen by Fab 50 Recruiting ... 2004 first-team all-district performer after earning second-team recognition as a junior ... Collected 70 tackles, six quarterback sacks, three forced fumbles and one fumble recovery as a senior en route to honorable mention all-state honors ... Played in the Coca-Cola Bowl All-Star game ... Helped Knights to back-to-back district titles with perfect 5-0 marks each season ... Coached by Darrell Jordan at the District 13-4A school.

Personal: The son of Juan Hernandez and Gloria Hardeman, Jameon Ramon Hardeman was born Jan. 19, 1987, in Dallas, Texas ... Speech Communication major ... Cousin of Baylor junior safety Jeremy Williams and Oklahoma junior defensive tackle DeMarcus Granger.

HARDEMAN'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 3 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007
Solo Tackles: 1, twice
Tackles For Loss: 1, twice

HARDEMAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2006	Redshirted								
2007	9/0	2	2	4	2.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
Totals	**9/0**	**2**	**2**	**4**	**2.0-2**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**0**	**0-0**

75 JORDAN HEARVEY

OT • 6-4 • 280 • JR-1L • RICHARDSON, TEXAS (RICHARDSON)

2007: Saw action in nine games as a sophomore along the offensive line to receive first Baylor monogram ... Started six games at right tackle (at No. 22 TCU, vs. Rice and Texas State, at Buffalo, at No. 20 Kansas and vs. No. 19 Texas) ... Dressed, but did not play in games at Texas A&M and Oklahoma, did not dress (coaches decision) for Bears' game at Kansas State ... Key member of a Baylor offensive line which yielded just 21 sacks (in a school-record 561 pass attempts) on the season, the program's fewest since 1995 ... Played 60 or more snaps five times with a high of 82 against Rice ... Took 80 snaps in first career start at No. 22 TCU ... For the season, saw action on 461 plays.

2006: Redshirt freshman offensive tackle dressed for seven games, but did not see any game action along the line.

2005: Took redshirt year as a true freshman.

High School: Richardson High School, Richardson, Texas ... Three-year starter had 45 pancake blocks from his offensive tackle position as a senior en route to first-team all-city and all-district honors ... Caught three passes for 38 yards as a junior tight end before moving to offensive tackle for final prep season ... Played defensive end as a sophomore for the Eagles ... One of three Richardson, Texas, products in Baylor's 2005 recruiting class, joining Berkner's Jason Lamb and Trey Bryant ... Selected Baylor over Arkansas and Missouri ... Played for coach Harry Everett at the District 10-5A school.

Personal: The son of Elgin Young and Jackie Beasley, Jordan O'Brian Hearvey was born April 13, 1987, in Dallas, Texas ... Communication Specialist major.

66 HUNTER HIGHTOWER

C • 6-5 • 269 • FR-RS • RICHARDSON, TEXAS (PEARCE)

2007: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Pearce High School, Richardson, Texas ... Rated 69th on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... Third commitment in Baylor's 2007 recruiting class ... Earned honorable mention Class 4A all-state honors from both The Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association ... TexasPrepXta.com first-team Class 4A All-DFW area selection ... Garnered first-team District 10-4A honors as a senior ... Started for the Mustangs as a junior when they went 7-3 in Class 5A ... Selected Baylor over Oklahoma State, SMU, Rice and Tulane ... Texas Scholar ... Service Learning Award ... Richardson Symphony League Honor Guard member ... Coached by Bobby Reyes at the District 10-4A school.

Personal: The son of Mark and Marilyn Hightower, Hunter Alan Hightower was born Oct. 20, 1988, in Dallas, Texas ... Mother, Marilyn Hightower, is a Baylor graduate who taught for 13 years in the Baylor School of Nursing in Dallas ... Likes to hunt ... Business major.

34 BEN HIXSON

LB • 6-2 • 227 • SR-3L • SOUTHLAKE, TEXAS (CARROLL)

An outstanding student, fifth-year senior linebacker **Ben Hixson** hopes to become just the third, four-time, first-team Academic All-Big 12 selection in program history in 2008, joining Kyle Atteberry (1996-99) and Daniel Sepulveda (2003-06).

2007: Just the seventh player in school history to garner at least three, first-team Academic All-Big 12 certificates when tabbed for the honor as a junior ... Saw action in every game at linebacker and was credited with four assisted tackles ... Had two assisted stops vs. both Rice and Colorado ... Played 84 of his 101 snaps on special teams to receive third letter ... One of 35 Baylor football players named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll; was only Bear to record a 4.00 grade-point average for the term ... Fall Dean's List member.

2006: Appeared in all 12 games for the Bears as a sophomore linebacker ... First-team Academic All-Big 12 selection for second consecutive year ... Credited with seven tackles (four solos) and a quarterback hurry on season ... Had a season-high two tackles (one solo) vs. Northwestern State ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll ... Saw action on 124 snaps, 56 of which came over the season's final three games, to pick up second letter.

2005: Played in 10 games as a redshirt freshman to earn his first Baylor letter ... Earned first-team Academic All-Big 12 honors ... Totaled six tackles on the year, mainly on special teams ... Credited with a career-high three tackles (two solos) in season-finale against Oklahoma State ... Named to the fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll ... Played 60 snaps, 33 of which were on special teams.

2004: Elected to sit out his freshman season in Waco as a redshirt ... Named to both the fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Southlake Carroll High School, Southlake, Texas ... Two-year starter at middle linebacker ... Ranked 39th on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list, was a *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection and a member of the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*'s Area 75 list ... Earned first-team 5A all-state honors from both Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association as a senior ... Tallied 211 tackles in 2003 with nine tackles for loss, 6.5 sacks, four pass breakups, four fumbles caused, three fumble recoveries and a safety ... Led Dragons to 2003 Class 5A Division II title game at 15-1 ... Six-time team Defensive Player of the Week ... Team Defensive Player of the Year ... Recorded 25 tackles in Dragons' 37-21 semifinal victory over Allen in 2003 playoffs and had 23 stops in 2003 quarterfinal win over Irving ... Had more than 200 tackles and named first-team all-district as a junior in helping Carroll to a 16-0 record and the Class 5A Division II title ... Played in 47 consecutive games and helped Dragons to a 41-6 record ... Named to 2003 *Texas Football* Top 300 ... Turned down offers from Tulane, Oklahoma State and South Florida ... Also lettered once in track and twice in lacrosse ... Coached by Todd Dodge at the District 7-5A school.

Personal: The son of Chuck and Susan Hixson, Benjamin Charles Hixson was born June 22, 1985, in New Orleans, La. ... Speech communications major received undergraduate degree in December 2007 and is enrolled in Baylor's Sports Pedagogy master's program.

HIXSON'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 3 vs. Oklahoma State, Nov. 19, 2005
Solo Tackles: 2 vs. Oklahoma State, Nov. 19, 2005

HIXSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2004		Redshirted							
2005	10/0	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2006	12/0	4	3	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2007	12/0	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
Totals	**34/0**	**7**	**10**	**17**	**0.0-0**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**0**	**0-0**

Other: Kickoff Returns: 2004: Redshirted; 2005: 0-0-0; **2006:** 0-0-0; **2007:** 2-10-0; **Career:** 2-10-0

45 ANTONIO JOHNSON

LB • 6-1 • 205 • SO-1L • WACO, TEXAS (WACO)

After playing defensive end as a Baylor rookie, **Antonio Johnson** moved to linebacker during spring ball and came out of practice No. 1 at that position on the depth chart.

2007: As a true freshman, played in 11 games at defensive end and was credited with 16 tackles (six solos), 0.5 tackles for loss and a fumble recovery ... Registered a career-high four tackles vs. both Texas Tech (one solo) and Oklahoma State (three solos) ... Produced three multi-tackle games ... Had a fumble recovery at Kansas State ... Missed game at No. 20 Kansas due to injury ... 120 of 177 snaps, including a career-high 45 vs. Oklahoma State, came over season's final four games ... Received first varsity letter.

High School: Waco High School, Waco, Texas ... The 2006 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex Defensive Player of the Year helped the Waco High Lions to a 13-3 record and a runner-up finish in the Class 4A Division II playoffs as a senior defensive end ... First-team *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex selection ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 recruit was also rated No. 4 on the publication's Central Texas Top 25 list ... Also named to the first-ever season-ending All-Texas team compiled by *Texas Football* magazine's Jake Shaw ... Honorable mention Class 4A all-state honoree from the Texas Sports Writers Association was also the 2006 District 16-4A defensive MVP ... Class 4A Team Texas first-team pick by Texashsfootball.com also shared its Most Outstanding Defensive End honor with Wolfforth High's Aaron Wampler ... Credited with 72 tackles (36 solos), 16.5 sacks for losses totaling 137 yards, 25 tackles for loss, four pass breakups and a fumble recovery for a touchdown in final prep season ... In Waco High's first 2006 meeting with Brownwood, totaled 10 tackles, six sacks, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery for a touchdown ... Selected Baylor over Kansas State ... Coached by Johnny Tusa at the District 16-4A school.

Personal: The son of David and Pamela Johnson, Antonio Maurice Johnson was born June 26, 1988, in Waco, Texas ... General Studies major.

JOHNSON'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 4, twice
Solo Tackles: 3 vs. Oklahoma State, Nov. 17, 2007
Tackles for Loss: 0.5 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007
Fumble Recoveries: 1 at Kansas State, Oct. 27, 2007

JOHNSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2007	11/0	6	10	16	0.5-1	0.0-0	0/1	0	0-0

8 ANTONIO JONES

LB • 6-2 • 205 • JR-2L • DALLAS, TEXAS (LINCOLN)

2007: As a sophomore linebacker, played in eight games for the Bears ... Produced 22 tackles (eight solos), 0.5 tackles for loss and a pass breakup ... Missed three games (at Buffalo, vs. Texas Tech, at No. 4 Oklahoma) due to injury and did not play vs. Colorado (coaches decision) ... Registered a career-high tying six tackles (two solos) vs. Rice and had four stops (two solos) vs. No. 19 Texas ... Had four multi-tackle games on season ... 179 of 208 snaps played came over season's first eight games ... Played season-high 49 snaps at No. 22 TCU ... Received second Baylor letter.

2006: Redshirt freshman started the season's first three games at linebacker, but came off the bench the last nine games ... No. 7 on squad in tackles with 44 stops (24 solos) and had 0.5 tackles for loss and a pass breakup ... Two or more tackles in 10 of 12 appearances, including a career-high tying six stops (four solos) at Colorado ... Also had six tackles (one solo) vs. Northwestern State ... Registered five tackles (three solos) at Texas Tech and at Oklahoma State (all solos, a career-high) ... Played 362 snaps to garner first Baylor letter.

2005: Redshirted as a true freshman ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Lincoln High School, Dallas, Texas ... Rated No. 46 on the 2004 *Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... Member of *Texas Football*'s 2004 Texas Top 300 ... Credited with 156 tackles, including 44 for loss, eight forced fumbles, six fumble recoveries and five sacks en route to a spot on *The Dallas Morning News* 2004 All-Area first-team honor squad, district Defensive Player of the Year and team MVP honors ... First-team 2004 Class 4A all-state by the Texas Sports Writers Association and honorable mention Associated Press pick ... Helped Tigers to a runner-up finish in 2004 Class 4A Division II playoffs and a school-record 14 victories ... 2005 Coca-Cola High School All-Star Game participant ... As a junior, earned all-district honors after totaling 98 tackles, including 25 for loss, six forced fumbles, four fumble recoveries and three interceptions for a 10-2 squad which captured a bi-district title ... Honor student ... Played for coach Reginald Samples at the District 10-4A school.

Personal: The son of Gary Jones and Felecia Roberson, Antonio Rashad Jones was born May 19, 1987, in Dallas, Texas ... General Studies major.

ANTONIO JONES' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 6, three times
Solo Tackles: 5 at Oklahoma State, Nov. 14, 2006
Tackles for Loss: 0.5, twice
Pass Breakups: 1, twice

ANTONIO JONES' CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2005		Redshirted							
2006	12/3	24	20	44	0.5-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	0-0
2007	8/0	8	14	22	0.5-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	0-0
Totals	**20/3**	**32**	**34**	**66**	**1.0-0**	**0.0-0**	**0/0**	**2**	**0-0**

25 JACOBY JONES

RB • 5-11 • 225 • SR-2L • BANGS, TEXAS (BANGS)

2007: The Bears' third-leading rusher averaged 27.4 yards per game as a junior in seven games with two starts ... Also caught seven passes for 63 yards and one touchdown ... Totaled five or more totes five times and registered three multi-catch performances ... In first career start, posted career-highs in rushes (21), rushing yards (83), receptions (six) and receiving yards (36) while totaling a career-best 119 all-purpose yards vs. Texas Tech ... Also started in backfield at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Rushed six times for team-high 28 yards at Kansas State and caught two passes for five yards ... Lone reception vs. Texas State was 10-yard touchdown grab ... Rushed eight times for 26 yards vs. Rice and carried seven times for 19 yards at No. 22 TCU ... Missed two games (at Buffalo, at Texas A&M) due to injury ... 116 of 203 snaps came over final four games, including career-best 59 plays against Texas Tech ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll ... Earned second varsity letter.

2006: Appeared in four games as a sophomore and caught four passes for 53 yards and one touchdown, but did not record a rushing attempt ... Averaged 13.2 yards per reception ... In season finale against No. 16 Oklahoma, registered two receptions for 29 yards ... Caught a nine-yard touchdown pass from Shawn Bell at No. 6 Texas for his first Baylor score ... Against Northwestern State in first appearance of season, recorded first career reception, a career-long 15-yard grab ... Named to the fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll ... Played 24 snaps to receive first Baylor letter.

2005: Saw action in two games as a redshirt freshman — Samford and No. 2 Texas, and finished as Bears' No. 3 rusher with 57 yards on 12 carries, an average of 4.8 yards per rush ... In collegiate debut vs. Samford, rushed nine times for team-high 48 yards with a long run of 17 ... Five of 12 rushes on season went for five or more yards ... Played 23 snaps.

2004: Sat out his freshman year as a redshirt ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Bangs High School, Bangs, Texas ... Earned first-team Class 2A all-state honors from the Texas Sports Writers Association and was a second-team Associated Press pick ... *Texas Football* 2003 Class 2A Player of the Year finalist ... Two-time All-West Texas and All-Big Country Most Valuable Offensive Player, three-time district offensive MVP ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection ... Ranked as one of Texas' top 20 prep running backs in 2003 by *Texas Football* and was rated No. 28 overall by Lone Star 100 ... Also a member of *Texas Football's* Top 300 ... As a senior, rushed 370 times for 3,459 yards and 45 touchdowns for the 11-5 Class 2A Division I runner-up Dragons ... Rushed for at least 100 yards in every game in final prep season ... A three-year starter, Jones was one of the state's most prolific ground-gainers ever and finished career 807 carries, 7,889 yards and 101 touchdowns ... Had 41 career 100-yard rushing games, which ranked as the second-best all-time mark in Texas schoolboy history at end of prep career ... Rushed for 1,500 yards in playoff games throughout career ... Second-team all-state selection as a junior after rushing for 2,467 yards and 29 touchdowns in leading the Dragons to a 13-2 record and a runner-up finish in the Class 2A Division I playoffs ... Also played basketball and ran track ... Earned district MVP honors in basketball as a junior ... Selected Baylor over Kansas, UTEP and New Mexico State ... Coached by Bo Robinson at the District 9-2A school.

Personal: The son of Mae Jones and the late John Jones Jr., Jacoby Keith Jones was born Dec. 26, 1985, in Brenham, Texas ... General Studies major.

JACOBY JONES' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushes: 21 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007 (83 yards)
Rushing Yards: 83 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007 (21 att.)
Receptions: 6 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007 (36 yards)
Receiving Yards: 36 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007 (6 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 1 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007
Long Reception: 15 vs. Northwestern State, Sept. 9, 2006

JACOBY JONES' CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING

YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2004	Redshirted					
2005	2/0	12	57	4.8	0	17/Samford
2006	4/0	0	0	0.0	0	—
2007	7/2	49	192	3.9	0	12/Oklahoma State
Totals	**13/2**	**61**	**249**	**4.1**	**0**	**17/Samford, 2005**

Other: Receiving: 2004: Redshirted; **2005:** 0-0-0; **2006:** 4-53-1 TD; **2007:** 12-63-1 TD; **Career:** 16-116-2 TD

63 JOHN JONES

OG• 6-5 • 302 • FR-RS • CEDAR HILL, TEXAS (CEDAR HILL)

2007: Elected to take redshirt year as a true freshman offensive lineman.

High School: Cedar Hill High School, Cedar Hill, Texas ... Ranked 32nd on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list, No. 74 on the Lone Star Recruiting Texas Top 100, No. 82 on *San Antonio Express-News* Texas Top 100 and No. 89 on *Morning News* State 100 produced by Rivals.com ... 2007 Oil Bowl participant ... One of three starters from Cedar Hill's 2006 Class 5A Division II state championship team to sign with Baylor ... Rated nation's 56th-best offensive guard prospect by Rivals.com, Lone Star Recruiting rated him as state's seventh-best offensive guard/center ... 3-star rank from Rivals.com ... *Houston Chronicle* and *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection ... The 2006 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 pick was also selected one of state's top 25 offensive linemen by the publication ... Earned second-team 2006 Class 5A all-state honors from the Texas Sports Writers Association and was a first-team *Dallas Morning News* All-Area honoree ... *PrepStar* All-Region team member ... Recorded 40 pancake blocks and allowed just one sack in Longhorns' 16-0 2006 campaign ... Had 15 scholarship offers from which to choose from, but cast lot with Baylor prior to senior season ... Two-year starter along the o-line ... Helped pave the way for Cedar Hill to lead 5A Metroplex schools in rushing and produce the 5A rushing leader in quarterback William Cole ... Did not play football at the youth or middle school level, instead focused on basketball ... As a freshman was last string on the B team to start the year, but by season's fourth game had been promoted to A team and a year later made junior varsity squad ... As a junior, he totaled 60 pancake blocks and yielded one sack as a starter for the District 8-5A champions ... Coached by Joey McGuire at the District 8-5A school.

Personal: The son of John and Octavia Jones, John DeMarcus Jones was born on Jan. 17, 1988, in Dallas, Texas ... Wants to be a head coach after college ... Enjoys watching TV, playing video games and surfing the Net ... Business major.

67 JOE KORBEL

OT• 6-5 • 282 • FR-RS • SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (CHURCHILL)

2007: Joined program as a walk-on and elected to sit out the season as a redshirt ... Dressed for five games but did not see any game action.

High School: Churchill High School, San Antonio, Texas ... Two-year letterman along the Chargers' offensive line ... Earned All-District 26-5A honors along the line as a senior ... Played in 2007 San Antonio East-West All-Star Game ... Led team in pancake blocks as a junior and senior with 19 ad 29, respectively ... Started every game (21) over final two prep seasons ... Academic all-state honoree played for coach Carl Gustafson at the District 26-5A school.

Personal: The son of George and Susan Korbel, Joseph Lawrence Korbel was born May 30, 1989, in San Antonio, Texas ... Father played football at St. John's (Minn.) while mother swam at Cornell (N.Y.) ... Enjoys music ... Business major.

17 ALEX KUSHNEIR

CB • 6-1 • 194 • SO-1L • BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (RIDGE/CANTERBURY PREP)

2007: As a redshirt freshman cornerback, saw action in nine games on the Bears' special team units ... Credited with two tackles (one solo) ... Had a solo tackle at Buffalo and an assisted stop at No. 20 Kansas ... Played 85 snaps, all on special teams, to earn first letter.

2006: Joined the Baylor program as a walk-on and sat out the year as a redshirt.

Before Baylor: Attended Canterbury Prep School in New Milford, Conn., during the 2005-06 academic year ... Played quarterback and free safety, helping team to a 6-2 record.

High School: Ridge High School, Basking Ridge, N.J. ... Missed senior year of high school football with an injury, but was still voted a team captain ... Earned coaches and team Academic Awards as a senior ... As a junior cornerback/wide receiver, helped the Red Devils to an 11-1 record and the 2004 Group 3 state title en route to all-conference honors ... Scored Red Devils first touchdown in state championship game, which was played at Giants Stadium ... Scholarship award winner ... Honor Roll member as a senior ... Played for coach Tom Falato at the Mountain Valley Conference school.

Personal: The son of Mike and Maria Kushneir, Alex M. Kushneir was born Sept. 28, 1987, in New York City ... Mother, Maria, is Vice President of Licensing for Perry Ellis ... Went on a mission trip to Honduras ... Film and Digital Media major.

12 JAKE LA MAR

FS • 6-0 • 193 • SR-3L • BEDFORD, TEXAS (COVENANT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY)

2007: A former walk-on, Jake La Mar was rewarded with a scholarship prior to the start of junior season ... Honorable mention All-Big 12 choice by league coaches ... Second-team Academic All-Big 12 selection after earning first-team honors in 2005 and 2006 ... Ranked No. 44 in Big 12 with 5.6 tackles per game ... Tied for third on squad in sacks (3.0), ranked No. 4 in tackles (67) and tied for No. 5 in tackles for loss with 5.5 ... Started season's final three games at rover after Dwain Crawford went down with a broken leg prior to the Texas Tech game and over last three seasons has played in every game (35) for the Bears ... 18 career multi-tackle games include every 2007 outing ... Six tackles (two solos) vs. Oklahoma State in third career start ... Totaled team co-leading eight tackles (three solos) at No. 4 Oklahoma in second start ... Had seven tackles (five solos) vs. Texas Tech in first career start ... Credited with six tackles (five solos) and one pass breakup at Kansas State ... Registered a career-high

nine tackles (five solos) and 1.0 tackle for loss at No. 20 Kansas ... Tallied six tackles (one solo), an interception, which he returned 27 yards, and a pass breakup at Texas A&M ... Totaled six tackles (five solos) and 1.0 sack at Buffalo ... Had three tackles (one solo), including a sack, vs. Texas State ... Then-career-best and team-high eight tackles (four solos) vs. Rice with career-high 2.0 tackles for loss and first career sack ... 231 of 655 snaps played came over season's final three games ... Tabbed Bears' Most Improved Defensive Player ... Earned third varsity letter.

2006: Sophomore rover saw action in 12 games, mainly on special teams, to receive second Baylor letter ... Garnered first-team Academic All-Big 12 honors for second consecutive season ... Totaled 13 tackles (seven solos), an interception, one pass breakup and a pair of quarterback hurries ... Credited with a season-high tying three tackles (one solo), one pass breakup and a hurry at Texas Tech ... Recorded first career interception vs. Northwestern State ... Totaled season-high three tackles vs. No. 22 TCU in season opener ... Four multi-tackle games ... Named to fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll ... Played 357 snaps.

2005: Redshirt freshman saw action in 11 games to earn first Baylor letter, mainly for outstanding work on special teams ... First-team Academic All-Big 12 pick ... Credited with 10 tackles (three solos) on year ... Posted season-high five tackles (one solo) vs. Samford ... Played 135 snaps, 110 on special teams ... Spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll pick.

2004: Joined the program as a walk-on, but sat out the season as a redshirt ... Named to spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Covenant Christian Academy, Colleyville, Texas ... Four-sport standout earned 14 letters as a prep, four each in track, basketball and baseball, two in football ... As a senior linebacker and running back, earned all-state honors after helping Cougars to a 6-4 record and the semifinals of the state playoffs ... Played quarterback as a junior and led team to an 11-1 record, a district title and a state runner-up finish ... All-state shortstop ... All-district basketball player ... Qualified for state finals in 100- and 200-meters, as well as in the 4x200-meter relay as a senior ... Suma Cum Laude Honor Roll student made mission trips to Chicago and Boston ... National Honor Society member ... Played for coach Steve Turner at the TAPPS 2A school.

Personal: The son of Steve and Rebecca La Mar, Jacob Steven La Mar was born June 10, 1986, in Bedford, Texas ... Both parents are Baylor graduates ... Management major ... Brother, Luke, is a sophomore wide receiver on the Bears' 2008 roster.

JAKE LA MAR'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 9 at Kansas, Oct. 1, 2007
Solo Tackles: 5, four times
Tackles For Loss: 2, vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007
Sacks: 1, three times
Interceptions: 1, twice
Pass Breakups: 1, thee times

JAKE LA MAR'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2004	Redshirted								
2005	11/0	3	7	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2006	12/0	7	6	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	1-5
2007	12/3	33	34	67	5.5-28	3.0-24	0/0	2	1-27
Totals	**35/3**	**43**	**47**	**90**	**5.5-28**	**3.0-24**	**0/0**	**3**	**2-32**

11 LUKE LA MAR

WR • 6-2 • 191 • SO-SQ • BEDFORD, TEXAS (COVENANT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY)

2007: Redshirt freshman wide receiver saw action in seven games and registered two receptions for 12 yards ... Career-long 11-yard reception vs. Rice ... Played 111 snaps , 94 of which came over season's final three games.

2006: Made roster as a walk-on and elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman.

High School: Covenant Christian Academy, Colleyville, Texas ... Four-year letterwinner in football, also played basketball and ran track ... As a senior quarterback, earned first-team TAPPS Division IV all-state honors and was the TAPPS Division IV District II offensive MVP ... 2005 *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* Super Team Private School Offensive Player of the Year ... Tom Hillary DFW Private School All-Star Classic participant ... Rushed 263 times for 1,923 yards and 21 touchdowns in final prep season ... Passed for 3,115 yards and 37 touchdowns as a senior, completing 216-of-390 passes with 14 interceptions in leading Cougars to 10-2 record, a district runner-up finish and semifinals of TAPPS playoffs ... Honorable mention TAPPS Division IV all-state signal caller as junior ... Member of Cougars' 2006 state championship 4x100-, 4x200- and 4x400-meter relay teams ... National Honor Society member and Honor Roll student ... Coached by Joel Berry at the TAPPS school.

Personal: The son of Steve and Rebecca La Mar, Lucas Owen La Mar was born May 22, 1988, in Bedford, Texas ... Both parents are Baylor graduates ... Brother, Jake, is a fifth-year senior free safety on the Bears' 2008 roster ... Enjoys hunting and fishing ... Wants to be a physical therapist ... Health Science Studies major.

LUKE LA MAR'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 1, twice
Receiving Yards: 11 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007 (1 rec.)

LUKE LA MAR'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	Redshirted					
2007	7/0	2	12	6.0	0	11/Rice
Totals	**7/0**	**2**	**12**	**6.0**	**0**	**11/Rice, 2007**

Other: Rushing: 2006: Redshirt; **2007:** 1-[-10]-0; **Career:** 1-[-10]-0

21 JORDAN LAKE

FS • 6-2 • 206 • JR-2L • HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL)

Junior free safety **Jordan Lake,** a 2008 All-America and Thorpe Award candidate, missed all of spring practice while recovering from off-season left shoulder surgery, but the consensus 2007 second-team All-Big 12 honoree is expected to be full-speed when fall camp begins ... One of six returning starters on the defensive side of the ball for the 2008 Bears, Lake has produced 15 career multi-tackle games with five or more stops in 13 consecutive games dating to 2006 campaign.

2007: A first-team All-Big 12 selection by *Phil Steele's Magazine,* Lake received second-team All-Big 12 honors from the league's coaches, Associated Press, *Dallas Morning News, Austin American-Statesman* and *Waco Tribune-Herald* after a sophomore campaign in which he led the Bears in total (120) and solo (67) tackles, while sharing the team lead in interceptions (two) and fumble recoveries (two) and ranking No. 2 in both pass breakups (six) and fumbles forced (two) ... *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football* magazine selected Lake as state's 2007 Defensive Player of the Year and its Best Defensive Back ... Also a first-team All-Texas selection by same magazine ... Lake's 120 total stops were most by a Bear since free safety Maurice Lane totaled 129 tackles in 2003 ... Had four of team's 19 turnovers forced (two interceptions, two fumble recoveries) ... Ranked No. 3 in Big 12 (No. 1 among defensive backs) and No. 30 nationally with 10.0 tackles per game, but in league games only averaged 11.2 stops to also rank No. 3 ... T-No. 9 in Big 12 with 0.17 fumbles recovered per game ... Produced six double-figure tackle games as a sophomore ... Totaled team-high 12 tackles (nine solos) and a pass breakup vs. Oklahoma State ... Had six tackles (three solos) at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Totaled team-best 15 tackles (five solos) vs. Texas Tech ... Team-high 13 tackles (nine solos) and one pass breakup at Kansas State ... Had a team co-leading 11 tackles (five solos) vs. No. 19 Texas ... Totaled eight tackles (two solos) and one pass breakup at No. 20 Kansas ... Registered seven tackles (two solos) vs. Colorado ... Posted a career-high 18 tackles (11 solo) with 1.0 tackle for loss and one pass breakup at Texas A&M; total was best by a Bear since free safety Maurice Lane's 23-tackle effort vs. Texas Tech in 2003 ... Named Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week after totaling seven tackles (five solos), two forced fumbles, two interceptions and one fumble recovery in the Bears' 34-21 victory at Buffalo ... Tallied then-career-high 10 tackles (six solos) and one fumble recovery vs. Texas State and had five tackles (two solos) and one pass breakup vs. Rice ... Credited with then-career-high eight tackles, all solo, at No. 22 TCU in first career start as a Bear ... Shared Bears' MVP honor with linebacker Joe Pawelek ... Second-team Academic All-Big 12 selection played a team-high 974 snaps for season ... Took 100 or more snaps in three games--103 vs. Texas State, 100 at Texas A&M and 101 at Kansas State, and played fewer than 60 downs just once in 12 starts at free safety ... Received second Baylor monogram.

2006: Baylor's No. 2 free safety as a redshirt freshman broke his collar bone while recording first career interception in the Bears' win over Kansas State and missed the remainder of the season ... Second-team Academic All-Big 12 selection ... Credited with 15 tackles (11 solos), a team-co-leading two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and an interception in five games ... Had a career-high five tackles (including career-best four solos) against Kansas State ... Registered four tackles (two solos) vs. Army ... Totaled a solo tackle and a forced fumble at Washington State ... Tallied four tackles (three solos) against Northwestern State to go with a fumble recovery and a forced fumble ... Played 172 snaps to earn first varsity letter ... Fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member.

2005: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman ... Selected to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Memorial High School, Houston ... 2004 *Texas Football* Top 300 member was the District 18-5A defensive MVP as a senior ... Also was a first-team *Houston Chronicle* All-Greater Houston honoree and a second-team Class 5A Texas Sports Writers Association all-state pick ... 2004 Houston Touchdown Club Defensive Player of the Year finalist ... Selected one of state's top 20 defensive backs in the 2004 *Texas Football* preseason magazine ... Credited with 119 tackles, including 12 for loss, as a senior ... Also had four interceptions, two of which he returned for touchdowns, for the Mustangs ... Special team standout blocked four kicks, returned a punt for a touchdown and averaged 25 yards per kickoff return and 16 yards per punt return ... Also rushed for 180 yards on 22 carries ... Scored eight offensive touchdowns as a part-time running back ... Career statistics include 307 tackles, 29 of which were for loss and 10 interceptions (three returned for touchdowns) as a three-year starter at safety ... Rushed for 233 yards on 29 carries and scored nine touchdowns as a part-time

running back over prep career ... The 2003 co-defensive MVP of District 21-5A also earned *Houston Chronicle* All-Greater Houston second-team defensive honors and was a unanimous first-team all-district defensive back ... Earned first-team all-district honors as a sophomore ... Also lettered twice in baseball and once in track ... Selected Baylor over Tulsa and Tulane ... Coached by Gary Koch at the District 18-5A school.

Personal: The son of George and Kay Lake, Jordan Matthew Lake was born Dec. 26, 1986, in Houston, Texas ... Father, George, played basketball at Baylor (1972-74), while brother was a basketball player at Trinity and uncle played at Mississippi College ... Management major.

LAKE'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 18 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2007
Solo Tackles: 11 at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2007
Fumble Recoveries: 1, three times
Interceptions: 2 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007
Pass Breakups: 1, six times

LAKE'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2005		Redshirted							
2006	5/0	11	4	15	0.0-0	0.0-0	2/1	0	1-0
2007	12/12	67	53	120	1.0-1	0.0-0	2/2	6	2-26
Totals	**17/12**	**78**	**57**	**135**	**1.0-1**	**0.0-0**	**4/3**	**6**	**3-26**

88 JASON LAMB

DE • 6-6 • 265 • JR-2L • RICHARDSON, TEXAS (L.V. BERKNER)

One of seven Baylor defenders to start every 2007 game, junior defensive end **Jason Lamb** is one of six returning defensive starters for the 2008 Bears ... The converted tight end has made 18 consecutive starts along the Baylor d-line dating to 2006.

2007: Earned honorable mention coaches All-Big 12 honors and second-team Academic All-Big 12 recognition as a sophomore defensive end ... Ranked No. 9 in Big 12 with 0.42 sacks per game ... Led Bears in sacks (5.0) and was T-No. 3 in tackles for loss (7.0) and No. 6 overall (tops among all Baylor d-linemen) in tackles with 53 stops (19 solos) ... Also had a team-high six quarterback hurries, one fumble recovery and a pass breakup ... Three of five sacks on season came vs. ranked opponents--No. 19 Texas, at No. 20 Kansas and at No. 22 TCU ... Tallied three or more tackles in 16 of 24 career appearances; including eight of 12 starts in 2007 ... Had six tackles (three solos) vs. Oklahoma State ... Career-high tying seven tackles (two solos) with 1.0 sack and a forced fumble at Kansas State ... Had six tackles (two solos), one of which was a sack, vs. No. 19 Texas ... Totaled six tackles, all assisted, and 1.0 tackle for loss at Texas A&M ... Produced six tackles (three solos), with 1.0 for loss, vs. Texas State ... Recorded five tackles (one solo) with 1.5 for loss and a sack vs. Rice ... Career-high tying seven tackles (four solos) at No. 22 TCU with a sack ... Shared team's Best Defensive Lineman honor with tackle Vincent Rhodes ... Played 60 or more snaps four times with a high of 74 vs. Oklahoma State and finished season with 657 total snaps to earn second Baylor letter ... Fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member.

2006: Redshirt freshman was one of three Bears named to 2006 *The Sporting News* All-Big 12 freshman honor squad after moving from tight end to defensive end midway through spring practice ... Also earned first-team Academic All-Big 12 honors ... Appeared in every game and started eight of BU's final nine games to earn first Baylor monogram ... His 38 tackles (21 solos) on year ranked No. 8 on squad and his 5.5 stops for loss were No. 2 on team ... Also had one sack and six quarterback hurries (No. 3 on squad) ... Recorded three or more tackles in eight games ... Four tackles (three solos) vs. No. 16 Oklahoma ... Had five tackles (three solos), with one for loss, at Oklahoma State ... Three tackles (two solos), including one for loss, and two hurries at Texas Tech ... Registered three tackles (one solo) vs. No. 22 Texas A&M ... Totaled five tackles, all solos, and first career sack at No. 6 Texas ... Had a career-high two hurries at Colorado ... Made first career start vs. Army and responded with a career-high seven tackles (two solos), including 1.5 for loss ... BU's Most Improved Defensive Player ... Played 481 snaps ... Fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member.

2005: Elected to take a redshirt season as a rookie ... Named to fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: L.V. Berkner High School, Richardson, Texas ... No. 66 on the 2004 *Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... 2004 *Texas Football* Top 300 member ... Second-team Associated Press all-state defensive end as a senior for the Rams after recording 104 tackles and 11 sacks ... Also had 27 quarterback hurries ... Earned 2004 all-district honors as both a tight end (second-team) and defensive end (first-team) after helping team to an 8-4 record as well as both district and regional titles ... Recorded six receptions for 70 yards and one touchdown in final prep season ... All-district performer as a junior after helping team finish 7-4 and earn a playoff berth ... Honorable mention academic all-state performer ... National Honor Society member ... Also participated in basketball and track ... One of three Richardson natives in Baylor's 2005 recruiting class, joining teammate Trey Bryant and Richardson High's Jordan Hearvey ... Member of country and western dance team the Ramblers ... Coached by Jim Ledford at the District 10-5A school.

Personal: The son of Brad and Nancy Lamb, Jason Wayne Lamb was born March 3, 1987, in Dallas, Texas ... Looking for a career in politics ... Management major.

LAMB'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 7, three times
Solo Tackles: 5 at Texas, Oct. 14, 2006
Tackles For Loss: 1.5, twice
Sacks: 1, six times

LAMB'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2005		Redshirted							
2006	12/8	21	17	38	5.5-17	1.0-5	0/0	0	0-0
2007	12/12	19	34	53	7.0-37	5.0-29	1/1	1	0-0
Totals	**24/20**	**40**	**51**	**91**	**12.5-54**	**6.0-34**	**1/1**	**1**	**0-0**

46 CHAD LOWE

LB • 6-0 • 215 • SO-SQ • LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (DORSEY)

2007: Did not see any game action as a redshirt freshman ... Dressed for two games ... Missed final seven games due to an injury (left quad strain).

2006: Hard-hitting linebacker originally signed with Kansas State out of high school but left Manhattan prior to the start of fall camp and migrated to Baylor, where he elected to redshirt his first year in Waco.

High School: Dorsey High School, Los Angeles, Calif. ... One of the top linebackers in the Los Angeles City Section as a junior and senior ... Prep teammate of Baylor junior wide receiver David Gettis ... Anchored the Dons' defense as a senior and helped Dorsey to a 12-2 record and an appearance in the 2004 LA City Section CIF title game ... Collected 147 tackles, four quarterback sacks and one interception from middle linebacker spot and earned All-Coliseum League and all-area honors ... Totaled 148 tackles, with 17 tackles for loss, six sacks and two interceptions as a junior to earn all-league and second-team all-area accolades ... An All-West Region prospect by *PrepStar* ... Coached by Paul Knox.

Personal: The son of John W. Lowe and Lisa Grantham-Lowe, Chad Christopher Lowe was born Jan. 31, 1987, in Los Angeles, Calif. ... General Studies major.

39 V.J. MCELROY

IR • 5-11 • 178 • SO-1L • UVALDE, TEXAS (UVALDE)

The son of former Baylor All-American free safety Vann McElroy, **V.J. McElroy** saw extensive action on Baylor's special team units as a true freshman in 2007, but he moved to the offensive side of the ball during spring practice and is now an inside receiver.

2007: Appeared in 10 games as a true freshman, all on Baylor's special team units ... Averaged 8.0 yards on three punt returns with a long of 16 yards vs. Texas Tech ... Returned nine kickoffs an average of 15.3 yards per return with a long of 22 yards vs. Texas Tech ... Produced three kickoff returns of 15-plus yards and had one such punt return ... Also credited with an assisted tackle at Kansas State ... Saw action on 81 plays, all on special teams, to earn first Baylor letter ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Uvalde High School, Uvalde, Texas ... Earned second-team Class 4A all-state honors as a senior from the Texas Sports Writers Association as a return specialist ... Ranked No. 8 on *San Antonio Express-News* Area Top 25 list ... *San Antonio Express-News* first-team all-area selection ... Named to *2006 Texas Football* Texas Top 300 ... Totaled 3,070 rushing yards and 2,763 passing yards in three-year prep quarterback career ... 2006 District 29-4A MVP rushed for 1,404 yards and passed for 1,210 yards with 35 touchdowns as a senior ... As a junior, rushed for 1,056 yards and passed for 1,253 yards and 19 touchdowns ... Also a track and baseball standout for the Coyotes ... Finished fifth in the 2007 Class 4A 100 meters (10.65) ... First-team all-district shortstop as a junior after hitting .328 and stealing 17 bases in 17 attempts ... Four-year honor society member ... FCA and student council participant ... Also considered Duke, Tulane, Texas, Texas A&M and Colorado State ... Coached by Juan Hinojosa at the District 29-4A school.

Personal: The son of Vann and Gale McElroy, both of whom are Baylor graduates, William Vann McElroy was born Dec. 10, 1987, in Santa Monica, Calif. ... Father, Vann, still owns the Baylor career record for interceptions and went on to play for the NFL's Oakland Raiders (1982-90), making a pair of Pro Bowl appearances, and Seattle Seahawks (1990) ... Enjoys hunting and fishing ... Business major.

81 KYLE MITCHELL

WR • 6-2 • 218 • JR-SQ • DENVER, COLO. (MONTBELLO/SCOTTSDALE CC)

2007: Made five appearances as a sophomore receiver and caught three passes for 19 yards for season ... Registered two receptions for 11 yards at No. 22 TCU in Baylor debut and had one catch for eight years vs. Rice the following week ... Also saw action vs. Texas State, at Buffalo and vs. Colorado ... Did not play at Texas A&M or at No. 20 Kansas (coaches decision) ... Missed season's final five games due to injury ... Played 38 snaps on year, 26 of which came in season's first two games.

Junior College: Scottsdale Community College, Scottsdale, Ariz. ... Registered 21 receptions for 405 yards with a team-high six touchdown grabs for the 2006 Fighting Artichokes ... Helped team to 6-4 record and third-place finish in the Western States Football League ... Before signing with Baylor, Mitchell was a recognized as a 2007 preseason junior

college All-American and a Fab 50 JUCO recruit ... Redshirted in 2005 ... Coached by Doug Madoski.

High School: Montbello High School, Denver, Colo. ... Totaled 27 receptions for 502 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior wide receiver en route to All-Denver Prep League honors and second-team all-state honors as a senior in 2004 for the city champion Warriors ... A four-year starter in basketball ... Coached by Fred Lagley.

Personal: The son of Harry Hall and Kathy Mitchell, Kyle Anwar Mitchell-Hall was born April 6, 1986, in Denver, Colo. ... Nephew of Washington Redskins Hall of Fame receiver Bobby Mitchell ... General Studies major.

MITCHELL'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 2, at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007 (11 yards)
Receiving Yards: 11 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007 (2 rec.)

MITCHELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2007	5/0	3	19	6.3	0	8/Rice

29 CLIFF ODOM

CB • 5-11 • 186 • SO-1L • ARLINGTON, TEXAS (JAMES MARTIN)

2007: Played in every game as true freshman cornerback for the Bears and finished rookie season with 12 tackles (seven solos), including 2.0 tackles for loss ... Four multi-tackle games ... Had two tackles (one solo) with 1.0 tackle for loss at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Totaled career-high tying three tackles (two solos) at Buffalo ... Career-high three tackles (two solos) and 1.0 tackle for loss vs. Texas State ... Saw action on 251 snaps, 123 of which were on special teams, to earn first letter.

High School: James Martin High School, Arlington, Texas ... A member of the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram's* Area Top 50 list ... Played running back and cornerback ... Earned unanimous first-team All-District 8-5A honors at cornerback as a senior ... Credited with 21 tackles, eight pass breakups, two interceptions and a forced fumble as a senior team captain ... As a running back for the Warriors, rushed five times for 68 yards and one touchdown ... Also averaged 24.3 yards on 15 kickoff returns with one touchdown in final prep season ... 2007 district 100 meter champion (10.60) also claimed 2006 district 200-meter dash title and was three-year track team captain ... Selected Baylor over offers from TCU, Kansas, Wyoming and Iowa ... Junior Class President (2005-06) was on Martin's student council every year ... Played for coach Bob Wager at the District 8-5A school.

Personal: The son of Cliff and Cynthia Odom, Clifton Lewis Odom Jr., was born in Oct. 2, 1988, in Indianapolis, Ind. ... Father, Cliff, played 13 years in the NFL as a linebacker with the Indianapolis Colts and Miami Dolphins ... Business major.

ODOM'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 3, twice
Solo Tackles: 2, twice
Tackles For Loss: 1, twice

ODOM'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2007	12/0	7	5	12	2.0-7	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0

33 EARL PATIN

LB • 6-2 • 222 • SO-1L • BATON ROUGE, LA. (SOUTHERN LAB)

2007: True freshman linebacker played in every game and earned All-Big 12 freshman team honors from *The Sporting News* ... Ranked 13th on squad in tackles with 29 (15 solos) and had 1.0 tackle for loss, which was a sack, and two quarterback hurries ... Nine multi-tackle games included eight straight such efforts to close rookie campaign ... Career-high five tackles (two solos) at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Totaled four tackles vs. both Colorado (one solo) and No. 19 Texas (three solos) ... Registered first career sack at No. 20 Kansas ... Tallied three tackles (two solos) in Baylor debut at No. 22 TCU ... Played 291 snaps for first Baylor letter.

High School: Southern Lab High School, Baton Rouge, La. ... The lone Rivals.com 4-star pledge in Baylor's 2007 recruiting class and a member of Rival's 250 list ... Rated nation's No. 6 inside linebacker by same service ... No. 13 on Rivals.com's Louisiana Top 40 list, No. 20 on PelicanPreps.com pre-spring Top 50 and No. 33 on TigerBait.com's final Top 35 ... Garnered first-team 1A all-state honors from the Louisiana Sports Writers Association and the Louisiana Football Coaches Association ... Totaled 144 tackles and five sacks as a senior for a 10-4 Southern Lab team which lost in the state semifinals ... Selected Baylor over Nebraska, Alabama, Clemson, Florida, Mississippi and West Virginia ... Played in the 2007 MSL East Meets West All-American Game at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Fla. ... As a junior, he had 80 tackles, including eight for loss and five sacks ... Coached by Michael Roach at the IA school.

Personal: The son of Marlon Patin and Yvette Henderson, Hugh Earl Patin was born April 7, 1989 ... General Studies major.

PATIN'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 5 at Oklahoma, Nov. 10, 2007
Solo Tackles: 3 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007
Tackles For Loss: 1, twice
Sacks: 1 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007

PATIN'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2007	12/0	15	14	29	1.0-6	1.0-6	0/0	0	0-0

Other: Kickoff Returns: 2007: 2-22-0; **Career:** 2-22-0

41 JOE PAWELEK

LB • 6-3 • 236 • JR-2L • SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (SMITHSON VALLEY)

One of six returning starters on the defensive side of the ball for the 2008 Bears, junior linebacker **Joe Pawelek** is a 2008 All-America candidate in the classroom and on the field ... Pawelek's 22 career starts equal the second-most on the squad among returnees behind fifth-year senior offensive tackle Jason Smith's 27 ... Has 185 career tackles in 24 games played and needs 132 stops to crack the Bears' all-time top 10; 33 assisted stops to reach Baylor's top 10 in that category, too ... 3.78 cumulative grade-point average in business.

2007: Baylor's second-leading tackler as a sophomore linebacker with 99 stops (40 solos) ... Served as a team tri-captain and shared squad MVP honors with free safety Jordan Lake ... Second-team All-Big 12 selection by The Associated Press, *Austin American-Statesman* and *Waco Tribune-Herald,* received honorable mention recognition from league's coaches ... Second-team All-Texas pick in *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football* magazine ... First-team Academic All-Big 12 honoree was also first-team *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VI pick ... Big 12 Fall Good Works Team member ... Ranked T-No. 6 in Big 12 (T-No. 5 among linebackers) and T-No. 85 nationally with 8.2 tackles per game ... Also ranked T-No. 4 in Big 12 with 0.25 fumbles forced per game and T-No. 9 in league with 0.17 fumbles recovered per game ... In Big 12 games only, he averaged 8.9 tackles per game to rank T-No. 5 ... Football Writers Association of America Preseason All-America checklist member led the Bears in fumbles forced (three) and ranked No. 2 in tackles (99) and tackles for loss (8.0), No. 5 in sacks (2.0) ... Team-high 59 assisted stops ranked as eighth-best single-season effort in school history ... Totaled four or more tackles in 22 of 24 career appearances, including five double-digit efforts, four of which came in 2007 ... Had six tackles (two solos) vs. Oklahoma State ... Totaled two tackles (one solo) and 0.5 tackle for loss at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Registered seven tackles (one solo), a forced fumble and a fumble recovery vs. Texas Tech ... Produced third-straight double-digit tackle performance with a 12- tackle (nine solos) effort at Kansas State which included 1.0 tackle for loss and a pass breakup ... Totaled team-high tying 11 tackles (one solo), an interception and a forced fumble vs. No. 19 Texas ... Had season-best 13 tackles (seven solos) at No. 20 Kansas ... Tallied 8 tackles (two solos), including 2.0 tackles for loss, vs. Colorado ... Registered 12 tackles (4 solo) with 1.0 tackles for loss at Texas A&M ... Totaled team co-leading nine tackles (six solos) with 2.0 tackles for loss, 1.0 sack and a fumble recovery at Buffalo ... Had six tackles (one solo) and a pass breakup vs. Texas State ... Seven tackles (four solos) included 1.5 for loss and a sack vs. Rice ... Six tackles (two solos) and a forced fumble at No. 22 TCU ... Started every game for the Bears and played 893 snaps, fourth-most on squad overall and second-highest total on the defensive side of the ball behind Lake's 974 plays ... Took 62 or more snaps in 10 games with a high of 100 at Texas A&M ... Received team Academic Award ... Earned second letter ... Fall Dean's List and Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member ... Baylor Leadership Academy graduate.

2006: Redshirt freshman linebacker enjoyed one of the finest season's ever by a Baylor rookie, earning first-team freshman All-America honors from *The Sporting News*, collegefootballnews.com and the Football Writers Association of America and second-team recognition from Rivals.com ... The Associated Press and *San Antonio Express-News'* 2006 Big 12 Defensive Newcomer of the Year also garnered conference Defensive Freshman of the Year honors from *The Sporting News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, *Houston Chronicle, Waco Tribune-Herald* as well as second-team All-Big 12 honors from the league's coaches ... Honorable mention Associated Press All-Big 12 pick ... First-team Academic All-Big 12 selection led the Bears in tackles with 86 stops (46 solos) while playing in every game with 10 starts ... Tied for 10th in the Big 12 with 7.17 tackles per game, the highest per-game average of any conference freshman, and finished season with 4.5 tackles for loss (No. 4 on squad), 2.0 sacks (T-No. 2 on team), one interception, four pass breakups (T-No. 2 on squad) and a team-high nine quarterback hurries ... Totaled four or more tackles in 11 of 12 outings ... Tallied three tackles, all assisted, in season-finale vs. No. 16 Oklahoma ... Had four tackles (three solos) at Oklahoma State ... Registered a team-high nine tackles (four solos), one sack and a pass breakup at Texas Tech ... Recorded an eight-tackle (three solos) game vs. No. 22 Texas A&M ... Seven tackles (six solos) with one for loss and a quarterback hurry vs. Kansas ... Had eight tackles (seven solos), a pass breakup and a quarterback hurry at No. 6 Texas ... Tallied a career-best 14 stops (career-high 11 solos) at Colorado and first career interception which clinched the Bears' 3OT win ... Registered back-to-back seven-tackle efforts vs. Army (three solos) and Kansas State (one solo) ... Also had four quarterback hurries and a pass breakup vs. K-State ... Tallied six tackles (four solos), with one sack, at Washington State ...

Had a then-career-high nine stops (two solos) in first career start vs. Northwestern State after a four-tackle (two solos) debut vs. No. 22 TCU ... Saw action on a team-high 855 snaps to earn first Baylor monogram ... Selected Baylor's Best Defensive Front Player by coaches and received team's Academic Award ... Named to the fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll as well as the Dean's List for both terms.

2005: Elected to take a redshirt season ... Scout team MVP ... Named to fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll ... Earned place on Dean's List for both fall and spring terms ... Also a catcher on the Baylor baseball team, but sat out 2006 season as a redshirt.

High School: Smithson Valley High School, Spring Branch, Texas ... A member of the 2004 *Texas Football* Top 300 ... 2004 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection ... Ranked No. 2 on the *San Antonio Express-News* Area Top 10 and No. 40 on its State Top 50 lists ... Named 2004-05 Boys High School Athlete of the Year by the *San Antonio Express-News* ... Tallied 197 tackles and six fumble recoveries as a senior linebacker en route to *San Antonio Express-News* Defensive Player of the Year honors ... Two-time first-team all-district performer also earned a pair of All-San Antonio awards ... Helped the Rangers to a 2004 Class 5A Division II runner-up finish, a 13-3 record and was rewarded with Associated Press honorable mention Class 5A all-state honors ... Credited with 20 tackles in the Rangers' 18-10 state semifinal victory over Houston Clear Lake ... 2004 Park Place Pontiac Defensive Player of the Year also was the 2003 Comal County Male Athlete of the Year ... Led 2003 team to a 10-2 record, a district title and the Division II playoffs ... Had 131 tackles and seven sacks as a junior en route to second-team all-state honors ... As a sophomore, lettered and was an honorable mention all-district pick for a Ranger team which went 14-2, won the district title and finished second in the state playoffs ... Also a standout baseball catcher, earned four first-team all-district awards over four-year career and all-state honors in final two seasons ... National Honor Society member ... Selected Baylor over Houston and Washington State ... Coached by Larry Hill at the District 26-5A school.

Personal: The son of Mike and Judy Pawelek, Joseph Charles Pawelek was born Dec. 8, 1986, in Corpus Christi, Texas ... Finance major.

PAWELEK'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 14 at Colorado, Oct. 7, 2006
Solo Tackles: 11 at Colorado, Oct. 7, 2006
Tackles for Loss: 2, twice
Sacks: 1, four times

PAWELEK'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2005	Redshirted								
2006	12/10	46	40	86	4.5-20	2.0-18	0/0	4	1-0
2007	12/12	40	59	99	8.0-25	2.0-12	3/2	2	1-17
Totals	**24/22**	**86**	**99**	**185**	**12.5-45**	**4.0-30**	**3/2**	**6**	**2-17**

22 ANDRE PIERCE

RB • 5-10 • 193 • SO-SQ • ROWLETT, TEXAS (ROWLETT)

2007: Did not see any game action as a redshirt freshman running back after being dismissed from the program in fall camp, but was allowed to return to the team in January and went through spring ball with the Bears.

2006: Sat out his rookie season at Baylor as a redshirt.

High School: Rowlett High School, Rowlett, Texas ... Enjoyed an outstanding all-around senior campaign at Rowlett, helping Eagles to a 9-3 record and the 10-year-old program's first-ever playoff berth ... The Metroplex's second-leading rusher among all classes (and in 5A) in 2005 totaled 2,301 yards on 312 carries with 24 touchdowns en route to Texas Sports Writers Association first-team all-state honors and Associated Press second-team recognition ... Averaged 7.4 yards per rush as a senior, 6.7 yards over final two varsity seasons ... Also had 16 receptions for 227 yards and two touchdowns ... Rushed 30 times for a career-high 332 yards and three touchdowns in 24-6 victory over Garland Sachse ... Had scoring runs of 66 and 58 yards against Sachse ... *Dallas Morning News* Player of the Week after rushing 40 times for 295 yards and four touchdowns, the last of which was a game-clinching 80-yard run, in a 45-41 victory over No. 16 Plano West ... Earned *Dallas Morning News* 11-5A Offensive Player of the Year honors and was an all-area pick after posting five rushing efforts of 250-plus yards as a senior and topping the century mark 10 times ... Sustained a knee injury as a junior, but still rushed 163 times for 896 yards and seven touchdowns ... Also lettered in track ... Coached by Kiff Hardin at the District 11-5A school ... Selected Baylor over Iowa and UTEP.

Personal: The son of Adrienne Pierce, Andre Rashad Pierce was born Feb. 18, 1988, in Houston, Texas ... Working on a Harry Potter book ... General Studies major.

11 MARLON PRICE

S • 6-2 • 194 • SR-3L • DALLAS, TEXAS (LANCASTER)

2007: Played in every game as a junior free safety and registered 18 tackles (nine solos) on the year, more total tackles than he recorded in first two seasons as a Bear (12) combined ... Produced six multi-tackle games ... Tallied career-high six tackles (three solos) in first career start vs. Texas Tech when the Bears opened in a Dime package ... Totaled three tackles (two solos) vs. Rice and at Texas A&M ... Had a fumble recovery in season-opener at No. 22 TCU ... Moved from rover to free safety after sophomore season ... Saw action on 155 snaps, 94 of which came over season's final three games ... Played career-high 55 snaps against Texas Tech ... Earned third Baylor letter.

2006: Saw action in nine games as a sophomore rover ... Registered eight tackles (five solos) on year ... Had a season-high five tackles (three solos) in season-finale vs. No. 16 Oklahoma ... Played 73 snaps to earn second Baylor monogram.

2005: As redshirt freshman behind two-time All-Big 12 performer Willie Andrews, appeared in nine games, mainly on special teams, to earn first letter ... Had four tackles (two solos) on year ... Had solo tackles at SMU and vs. Oklahoma State ... Played 85 snaps.

2004: Sat out the season as a redshirt.

High School: Lancaster High School, Lancaster, Texas ... Played both quarterback and safety as a prep senior ... State champion in 110- and 300-meter hurdles as a senior, when he also ran on Lancaster's state champion 4x400-meter relay unit ... Transferred to Lancaster after playing his first three years at Duncanville (Texas) High School, where he started at strong safety as a junior ... Regional qualifier in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles at Duncanville, and was also a member of the school's 4x400-meter relay team ... Coached by Andrew Jackson at Lancaster, a District 16-4A school.

Personal: The son of Melvin and Cathy Price, Marlon Reshad Price was born June 11, 1986, in Dallas, Texas ... Management major.

PRICE'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 6 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 3, 2007
Solo Tackles: 3, twice
Fumble Recoveries: 1 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007

PRICE'S CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2004	Redshirted								
2005	9/0	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2006	9/0	5	3	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2007	12/1	9	9	18	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/1	0	0-0
Totals	**30/1**	**16**	**14**	**30**	**0.0-0**	**0.0-0**	**0/1**	**0**	**0-0**

87 BEN RANDLE

IR • 6-5 • 205 • SO-SQ • PLANO, TEXAS (WEST)

2007: The son of former Baylor and NFL standout Ervin Randle, the younger Randle did not see any game action as a redshirt freshman inside receiver for the Bears, however, he did dress for five games.

2006: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman inside receiver ... Named to the fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: West High School, Plano, Texas ... Ranked No. 89 on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 Area list ... Caught a team-high 29 passes for 732 yards and 10 touchdowns as a senior for the 6-4 Wolves ... One of nine Class 5A receivers in the DFW Metroplex to catch at least 10 touchdown passes in 2005 ... Had five grabs for 124 yards and four touchdowns in 45-41 loss to Rowlett ... Averaged 25.2 yards per reception en route to second-team all-district honors as a senior ... As a junior, helped Plano West to a 10-2 record, a district championship and the 5A Division II area championship game ... Also considered Iowa State, TCU, Utah, Houston and Tulane ... Coached by Mike Hughes at the District 8-5A school.

Personal: The son of Ervin Randle and Cindy Stephenson, Benjamin Aaron Randle was born Oct. 1, 1987, in Waco, Texas ... His father, Ervin, lettered four seasons for the Bears (1981-84) as a linebacker, twice earned All-Southwest Conference honors (1983-84) and spent eight seasons in the NFL, six with Tampa Bay (1985-90) and two with Kansas City (1991-92) ... Mother, Cindy, also attended Baylor ... History major.

91 VINCENT RHODES

DT • 6-2 • 296 • SR-3L • DENISON, TEXAS (DENISON)

A fifth-year senior, tackle **Vincent Rhodes** is one of six returning defensive starters for the 2008 Baylor football team ... The 2008 honors candidate has made 22 career starts to rank in a tie for first among returning Baylor defenders (linebacker Joe Pawelek also has made 22 starts) and second overall behind fifth-year senior offensive tackle Jason Smith's 27 career starts ... Enters senior campaign having started 20 consecutive games along the Baylor defensive line.

2007: Junior defensive tackle was one of seven defenders to start every game for the Bears and ranked No. 2 on the squad in sacks (3.5), No. 8 in tackles for loss (4.0) and T-No. 10 in tackles (38) ... Also had a pass breakup and three quarterback hurries ... 25 multi-tackle performances in 34 career games, include 12 in 2007 ... Registered sacks against No. 20 Kansas, Colorado, Buffalo and Rice ... Totaled three tackles, all assisted, vs. Oklahoma State ... Credited with three tackles (one solo) at No. 4 Oklahoma ... Had four tackles (one solo) with 1.0 TFL and a PBU at Texas A&M ... Produced a career-high tying six tackles (three solos) at No. 22 TCU ... Shared team's Best Defensive Lineman honor with end Jason Lamb ... Took 786

snaps on season and was one of 10 Bears to take at least 700 snaps on season ... Played 60 or more downs nine times with a high of 87 snaps at Texas A&M ... Earned third varsity letter.

2006: Started final eight games of 2006 season at defensive tackle opposite senior M.T. Robinson ... Totaled 35 tackles (17 solos) in 12 appearances to rank No. 10 on the squad ... Also finished No. 2 on squad in sacks (two) and quarterback hurries (eight), No. 3 in tackles for loss (five) ... Eight multi-tackle games in 12 appearances ... Had two tackles vs. No. 16 Oklahoma ... Credited with four tackles (one solo) at Oklahoma State ... Tallied four tackles (one solo) vs. No. 22 Texas A&M ... Two tackles, including one sack, against Kansas ... Totaled five tackles (four solos), with one for loss, at No. 6 Texas ... Registered five tackles (three solos), including one for loss, and a quarterback hurry at Colorado ... Tallied a career-high six quarterback hurries vs. Kansas State in first start of the season ... Had a career-high six tackles (one solo) vs. Army, including one for loss, and first career fumble recovery ... Tallied four tackles vs. Northwestern State, one of which was a seven-yard sack ... Saw action on 401 snaps to receive second varsity letter.

2005: As a redshirt freshman, played in 10 games with two starts to earn first Baylor monogram as a defensive tackle ... Credited with 16 tackles (six solos) on season ... Made first career start against No. 2 Texas and responded with a then-career-high five tackles (one solo) ... Also started season finale vs. Oklahoma State ... Five multi-tackle games ... Played 286 snaps.

2004: Sat out season as redshirt, but earned defensive scout team MVP honors.

High School: Denison High School, Denison, Texas ... Talented two-way player was a 2003 all-state honoree as both an offensive and defensive lineman ... The 2003 District 11-4A MVP was named to the Class 4A first-team all-state honor squad by The Associated Press at offensive tackle and was second-team all-state pick by the Texas Sports Writers Association at defensive end ... Recorded 52 pancake blocks and did not allow a sack for a 9-2 squad that averaged more than 400 yards of total offense ... Credited with 60 tackles, including 11 stops behind the line, 12 sacks, three forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries and one pass breakup ... Qualified for regional track meet as a senior in the discus ... Texas Scholar and Munson Award winner also participated in choir and FCA ... Selected Baylor over TCU and North Texas ... Coached by Bob Brown at the District 11-4A school.

Personal: The son of Robert and Virginia Rhodes, Vincent Demond Rhodes was born Nov. 12, 1985, in Denison, Texas ... Enjoys fishing and bowling ... Recreation & Leisure Services major.

RHODES' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 6, twice
Solo Tackles: 4 at Texas, Oct. 14, 2006
Tackles for Loss: 1, eight times
Sacks: 1, five times

RHODES' CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2004	Redshirted								
2005	10/2	6	10	16	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2006	12/8	17	18	35	5.0-17	2.0-9	0/1	0	0-0
2007	12/12	14	24	38	4.0-16	3.5-15	0/0	1	0-0
Totals	**34/22**	**37**	**52**	**89**	**9.0-33**	**5.5-24**	**0/1**	**1**	**0-0**

8 RYAN ROBERTS

QB • 6-0 • 218 • SR-SQ • KELLER, TEXAS (KELLER/MIDWESTERN STATE)

2007: Junior walk-on signal caller saw action in two games as a reserve--at No. 20 Kansas and vs. Texas Tech ... Completed 3-of-5 passes for 28 yards against the Jayhawks but was 0-of-2 passing vs. Red Raiders ... Career-long 15-yard completion to Krys Buerck at Kansas ... Rushed twice for (-10) yards at Kansas and had one rush for one yard against Texas Tech ... Played 12 snaps, nine at Kansas and three vs. Texas Tech, on season ... Selected as Baylor's Offensive Scout Team MVP ... Fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll member.

2006: Sat out the season as a transfer from Midwestern (Texas) State ... Named to the fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

At Midwestern (Texas) State: Played in nine games and started four contests as a redshirt freshman at Midwestern State in 2005 ... Completed 64-of-115 passes for 984 yards and eight touchdowns ... Made first career start against No. 6 West Texas A&M and passed for 230 yards and three touchdowns ... Completed 10-of-17 passes for 171 yards and a touchdown in the Indians' victory over nationally ranked Texas A&M Kingsville ... Lone Star Conference Freshman of the Year nominee ... Redshirted as a true freshman at Midwestern State in 2004 after working way up the depth chart from scout team signal caller to back-up quarterback for Midwestern State's final four games of the season.

High School: Keller High School, Keller, Texas ... Passed for 2,598 yards and 32 touchdowns with 10 interceptions in final prep season ... Completed 62 percent of passes as a senior ... Also rushed for 182 yards and seven touchdowns ... Led all senior Texas Class 5A passers in both passing yards and touchdown passes in 2003 ... Unanimous District 5-5A offensive MVP and first-team all-district pick as a senior ... Team MVP ... Led Indians to the playoffs for first time since 1996, where they captured the bi-district title and were area finalists ... School-record 32 touchdown passes ... Twice tossed five touchdown passes in a game ... Also lettered in baseball as a third baseman for the Indians' 2004 state quarterfinalist squad ... National Honor Society member ... Played for coach Kevin Atkinson at the District 5-5A school.

Personal: The son of Eddie and Jeri Roberts, Curtis Ryan Roberts was born Dec. 2, 1985, in Fort Worth, Texas ... Father, Eddie, was a professional bull rider (PRCA) ... Enjoys playing the guitar, singing and writing music ... Active in Baylor's FCA chapter ... Received undergraduate degree in General Studies in May 2008 and is enrolled in Sport Management graduate program.

ROBERTS' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushes: 2 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007 (-10 yards)
Rushing Yards: 1 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 4, 2007 (1 att.)
Long Rush: 1 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 4, 2007
Pass Attempts: 5 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007 (3 comp.)
Pass Completions: 3 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007 (5 att.)
Passing Yards: 28 at Kansas, Oct. 13, 2007

ROBERTS' CAREER STATISTICS

PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	PCT	YDS	INT	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	Redshirted							
2007	2/0	3	7	.429	28	0	0	15/at Kansas
Totals	**2/0**	**3**	**7**	**.429**	**28**	**0**	**0**	**15/at Kansas, 2007**

Other: Rushing: 2006: Redshirt; **2007:** 2-[-9]-0; **Career:** 2-[-9]-0

96 ZAC SCOTTON

DE • 6-6 • 254 • FR-RS • HOUSTON, TEXAS (CYPRESS CREEK)

2007: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman defensive end ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Cypress Creek High School, Houston, Texas ... *Houston Chronicle* Area Top 60 selection ... Second-team All-District 17-5A defensive tackle as a senior ... Totaled 55 tackles, 33 of which were solo stops, and five sacks ... Also had 11 tackles for loss, a punt block and one touchdown ... Two-year starter along the defensive line ... Began prep career at quarterback before switching to defense ... Outstanding baseball pitcher ... *Texas Football* 2006 Texas Top 300 member ... Selected Baylor over Houston, SMU and UTEP ... Coached by Greg McCaig at the District 17-5A school.

Personal: The son of Chip and Brandye Scotton, William Zachary Scotton was born May 25, 1989 ... Political Science major.

19 RAY SIMS

RB • 6-0 • 210 • SR-1L • CORSICANA, TEXAS (CORSICANA/NAVARRO COLLEGE)

After playing outside safety in his first season at Baylor, **Ray Sims** moved to running back during spring practice, a position he played in high school, and emerged sharing the No. 2 position on the Bears' depth chart with fifth-year senior Jacoby Jones.

2007: Saw action in 11 games as a junior college transfer, mainly on special teams ... Had four tackles (two solos) on season ... Totaled two tackles (one solo) vs. Texas State ... Also registered a solo stop at No. 20 Kansas and an assisted tackle vs. Texas Tech ... 112 of 121 snaps played were on special teams ... Earned first Baylor letter.

Junior College: Credited with 72 tackles, 1.5 sacks and an interception as a sophomore outside linebacker at Navarro [Texas] Texas ... Honorable mention all-conference pick ... Played free safety as a Bulldog rookie ... Drew interest from Iowa State, TCU and Hawaii before signing with Baylor ... Coached by Ray Woodard at Navarro College.

High School: Corsicana High School, Corsicana, Texas ... As a senior, totaled 154 tackles and five interceptions, two of which he returned for touchdowns, en route to first-team all-district honors ... Also spent part of senior season at running back for the Tigers, where he rushed for 265 yards and four touchdowns for an 11-2 Corsicana squad which advanced to the third round of the state playoffs for the first time since 2000 ... Reunited with former Corsicana teammates Jay Finley and Courtney Green, as well as former Coca-Cola All-Star Game teammates Antonio Jones and Jameon Hardeman, at Baylor ... Coached by Dave Henigan at the District 14-4A school.

Personal: The son of Ray and Barbara Sims Sr., Ray A. Sims was born July 20, 1986 ... General Studies major.

24 MATT SINGLETARY

IR • 6-4 • 243 • FR-RS • SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SAN JOSE VALLEY CHRISTIAN)

Redshirt freshman **Matt Singletary** moved from defensive end to inside receiver halfway through spring practice and is listed No. 2 on the Bears' depth chart at big slot position behind senior John David Weed, a converted quarterback ... The son of arguably Baylor's greatest football player, College and Pro Football Hall of Fame linebacker Mike Singletary.

2007: True freshman defensive end elected to take a redshirt year.

High School: San Jose Valley Christian High School, San Jose, Calif. ... Credited with 64 tackles, four sacks and two fumble recoveries as a senior defensive end ... Played along the offensive line for coach Eric Scharrenberg's 12-1 2005 squad ... Also considered Michigan, Oregon, UCLA and Utah.

Personal: The son of Mike and Kim Singletary, Matthew M. Singletary was born Feb. 22, 1988 ... Father currently serves as the assistant head coach/linebackers coach for the San Francisco 49ers ... Mike Singletary was a three-time All-American and two-time Davey O'Brien winner at Baylor who totaled a school-record 662 career tackles from 1977 through 1980 before embarking on a 12-year NFL career with the Chicago Bears ... Matt's sister Kristen is also a Baylor student ... Film, Digital & Media major.

60 SAM SLEDGE

DT • 6-2 • 266 • JR-2L • MIDLAND, TEXAS (LEE)

After spending his first three seasons in the Baylor program as an offensive lineman, **Sam Sledge** moved to defensive tackle prior to spring ball and emerged No. 2 on the depth chart behind fifth-year senior Vincent Rhodes.

2007: Saw action in five games at offensive guard as a sophomore ... Dressed for every game ... Took a career-high 32 snaps vs. Rice ... For the season, played 88 snaps to earn second varsity letter ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

2006: Redshirt freshman center saw action in two games (Northwestern State and Kansas) to receive first Baylor letter ... Played seven snaps for season .... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

2005: Walk-on elected to take a redshirt year ... Scout team MVP ... Named to fall and spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Midland Lee High School, Midland, Texas ... Three-year football letterwinner who earned first-team all-district and All-Permian Basin honors as a tight end after both junior and senior years ... Also garnered honorable mention all-state honors for the Rebels at tight end following junior campaign ... Picked up three letters in track, where he was a two-time regional qualifier in the shot put and one-time qualifier in the discus ... District discus champion ... Selected to both the National Honor Society and the Spanish National Honor Society ... Four-year academic letterwinner ... Coached by John Parchman at the District 3-5A school.

Personal: The son of David and Sandy Sledge, Samuel David Sledge was born Jan. 21, 1987, in Midland, Texas ... Parents are both Baylor graduates ... Father, David, was a four-year Baylor football letterman from 1975-78 and 1978 All-SWC honoree ... Entrepreneur major.

13 ERNEST SMITH

WR • 6-3 • 183 • JR-2L • NEW ORLEANS, LA. (EDNA KARR MAGNET SCHOOL/JOHN TYLER)

Junior wide receiver **Ernest Smith** is one of nine returning offensive starters for the 2008 Bears.

2007: Played in every game with seven starts to credit as a sophomore wide receiver ... No. 7 on the squad in both receptions (21) and receiving yards (247), but averaged 11.8 yards per catch to rank No. 5 ... Registered seven multi-catch games, one of which was a career-high four-reception, 38-yard effort at No. 22 TCU in season-opener ... Recorded career-high 65 receiving yards on three catches with one touchdown, a 19-yard grab, vs. Rice ... His performance against the Owls also included a career-long 37-yard catch ... Played 525 snaps, with a high of 87 against Texas Tech, to earn second letter.

2006: True freshman wide receiver saw action in 10 games and made one start as a rookie behind senior All-Big 12 wide out Dominique Zeigler ... Caught six passes for 55 yards on season ... Hauled in a season-high tying two passes for 18 yards at Texas Tech, one of which was a season-long 15-yard grab ... Tallied one catch for 12 yards vs. No. 22 TCU in first game as a Bear, then had two for 18 yards vs. Northwestern State in first career start the following week ... Played 91 snaps to earn first varsity letter.

High School: John Tyler High School, Tyler, Texas ... Ranked No. 48 on *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 State list ... Rivals.com rated him as nation's 40th-best prep wide out ... 3-star ranking from Rivals.com ... Had a team-high 21 receptions for 283 yards and three scores in lone season with Lions ... Earned second-team all-district honors after helping Lions to an 8-3 record and a playoff berth ... Joined John Tyler program in aftermath of Hurricane Katrina ... Attended Edna Karr Magnet School in New Orleans and resumed education there in the spring of 2006 ... Coached by Thomas Brooks at the District 12-5A school.

Personal: The son of Ernest Smith Sr., Ernest Smith Jr. was born March 18, 1988, in New Orleans, La. ... General Studies major.

ERNEST SMITH'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 4 at TCU, Sept. 1, 2007 (38 yards)
Receiving Yards: 65 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007 (6 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 1 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007

ERNEST SMITH'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2006	10/1	6	55	9.2	0	15/at Texas Tech
2007	12/7	21	247	11.8	1	37/Rice
Totals	**22/8**	**27**	**302**	**11.2**	**1**	**37/Rice, 2007**

72 JASON SMITH

OT • 6-5 • 298 • SR-3L • DALLAS, TEXAS (W.T. WHITE)

One of nine returning offensive starters, four of whom play along the line, fifth-year senior tackle **Jason Smith** is a 2008 All-America and Outland Trophy candidate ... The converted tight end enters third season as an o-line starter and has made more career starts (27) than any returning Baylor player.

2007: Earned honorable mention All-Big 12 honors as a junior offensive tackle from The Associated Press despite being slowed by injury for much of season ... Played and started in seven games at left tackle ... Was a key performer along a Bears' o-line which yielded just 21 sacks, the program's fewest since 1995 ... Sustained a right MCL strain in season-opener at No. 22 TCU which sidelined him for three games, then returned to start at Texas A&M and vs. Colorado ... Reinjured the knee against Colorado and missed two more games (at No. 20 Kansas and vs. No. 19 Texas) ... Returned to starting lineup at Kansas State and started season's final four games ... Shared team's Best Offensive Lineman honor with center J.D. Walton ... Played 436 snaps to earn third Baylor letter ... Took 54 or more snaps five times with a high of 85 against Texas Tech ... Baylor Leadership Academy graduate.

2006: Moved from tight end to offensive tackle prior to spring practice and went on to start all 12 games of his sophomore season as the Bears' right tackle ... Played every offensive snap in 11 of 12 starts ... Saw action on 789 snaps for the year, most by a Baylor offensive performer in 2006 and third-highest total on the squad overall ... Received second Baylor letter.

2005: Redshirt freshman tight end played in every game and drew eight starts to earn his first varsity letter ... Had six receptions for 70 yards and one touchdown, an average of 11.7 yards per catch ... Recorded six of the 13 receptions tallied by BU tight ends in 2005 ... Hauled in a 2-yard pass from Shawn Bell at Oklahoma for first career touchdown reception ... Caught a 2-point conversion pass at SMU to tie the score at 14-14 in third quarter ... His 31-yard reception at SMU was a career-long ... Had one catch in six different games ... Played 359 snaps ... Selected Baylor's Most Improved Player.

2004: Tabbed MVP of the Bears' offensive scout team in redshirt season.

High School: W.T. White High School, Dallas, Texas ... Named to *The Dallas Morning News* Top 100 Area list (No. 95) ... After earning first-team all-district honors as a sophomore and junior as an offensive tackle, moved to tight end as a senior team captain for the 5-5 Longhorns ... Caught seven passes for 101 yards and one touchdown en route to 2003 all-district honors ... Played in 2004 Coca-Cola High School Football All-Star Game ... Two-time MVP of the Longhorns' offensive line ... Coached by Mike Zuffuto at the District 10-5A school.

Personal: The son of Duane and Linda Smith, Jason Kyle Smith was born April 30, 1986, in Dallas, Texas ... Recreation & Leisure Services major.

6 BLAKE SZYMANSKI

QB • 6-4 • 204 • JR-2L • WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS (RIDER)

One of the Bears' nine returning offensive starters, junior quarterback **Blake Szymanski** enters fall camp sharing the top line on the Baylor depth chart with true freshman Robert Griffin and senior transfer Kirby Freeman ... Owns a 3-10 career record as the Bears' starting signal caller with four losses to ranked foes and eight to Big 12 opponents ... Just 12th Bear to throw for 3,000 career yards, his 26 touchdown passes rank No. 8 on Baylor's all-time list ... Enters junior season also ranked among Baylor's all-time leaders in passing yards (No. 12, 3,533), completions (T-No. 6, 328), attempts (No. 9, 582), completion percentage (No. 3, .564), touchdown-interception ratio (No. 6, 1.040), interception percentage (No. 6, .0430), 400-yard passing games (No. 1, three), touchdowns responsible for (No. 10, 29) and total-offense yards per play (No. 10, 5.31 ypp) ... Established 20 Baylor single-game, one-season or career marks as a sophomore in 2007.

2007: The 10-game starter under center ranked No. 6 in the Big 12 in passing yards per game (258.5 ypg), No. 7 in the Big 12 and No. 34 nationally in total offense (267.5 ypg) and No. 11 in Big 12 and No. 86 nationally in pass efficiency (117.0 rating) ... Set Baylor single-season records for touchdown passes (22), pass attempts (461), completions (264), passing yards (2,844), 400-yard passing games (three), total-offense attempts (522), total-offense yards (2,942) and touchdowns responsible for (23) ... Hit 57.3 percent of passes to rank No. 7 on Baylor's single-season list and T-No. 3 in interceptions thrown (18) and was No. 8 in touchdown to interception ratio (1.22) ... Threw for 200 or more yards in seven games, three of which were 400-yard performances ... Produced 21 plays, 19 passes and two rushes, of 25-plus yards on season ... Completed 29-of-40 passes for 226 yards with two touchdowns and

two interceptions vs. Oklahoma State ... Hit 25-of-42 passes for 280 yards and two TDs with two picks at No. 4 Oklahoma; tossed career-long 75-yard TD pass to Thomas White vs. Sooners ... Was 25-of-41 in the air for 191 yards and one touchdown with one interception vs. Texas Tech ... Came off bench at Kansas State to hit 15-of-21 passes for 213 yards and one TD with one interception ... DNP (coaches decision) vs. No. 19 Texas after 10 straight starts under center ... At Kansas, threw for season-low 119 yards (18-for-33 with a career-high tying three interceptions and no touchdowns) ... Hit 36-of-60 passes for 410 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions vs. Colorado; set BU single-game records for completions and attempts while yardage total ranked No. 3 on one-game list ... Totaled Baylor single-game record 428 total-offense yards vs. Colorado on school-record 64 attempts ... Was 12-of-35 passing for 194 yards and one pick at Texas A&M ... 14 of 22 TD passes came in three-game span (at Buffalo, vs. Texas State, vs. Rice) ... At Buffalo, rushed 11 times for a career-high 91 yards and one TD, which came on a career-long 39-yard run, and passed for 172 yards and three touchdowns ... Rushing total at Buffalo was best by a Baylor quarterback since Odell James' 92-yard performance vs. Kansas State in 1998 ... Became first Bear to throw for 400-plus yards in consecutive games with a 411-yard, five-touchdown effort vs. Texas State ... Hit 29-of-46 passes vs. Rice for school-record 412 yards with a Baylor single-game record six TD passes and no interceptions to earn first career win as Bears' starting QB and co-Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week honors ... Threw for 216 yards with a career-high tying three interceptions at No. 22 TCU in season-opener ... Took 746 snaps to earn second Baylor letter.

2006: Redshirt freshman quarterback started final three games of 2006 campaign in place of the injured Shawn Bell ... Completed 64-of-121 passes for 689 yards with four touchdowns and seven interceptions over five appearances on season ... Also rushed 44 times for 18 yards and two touchdowns ... His 44 rushes ranked No. 2 on the squad ... Against No. 16 Oklahoma in season-finale, was 22-of-45 in the air for 188 yards with two interceptions ... His 45 pass attempts vs. the Sooners were a then-career-high ... At Oklahoma State, he completed 24-of-41 passes for 262 yards and two touchdowns with three interceptions ... Established career-highs in every passing category vs. the Cowboys ... Also rushed 10 times for a then-career-high 40 yards at Oklahoma State ... In his first career start at Texas Tech, rushed a career-high 22 times for 25 yards and two touchdowns, while completing 16-of-30 passes for 197 yards and one touchdown with one pick ... His two rushing touchdowns against the Red Raiders were the first of his career as he became the first Baylor signal caller to register two rushing touchdowns in a game since Nov. 21, 1992, when J.J. Joe accomplished the feat in a 21-20 Baylor victory over Texas at Floyd Casey Stadium ... His 56-yard touchdown pass to Trent Shelton at Texas Tech was a then-career-long ... Had taken nine career snaps as a Bear, four vs. Northwestern State and five vs. No. 22 Texas A&M, prior to Texas Tech start ... Was 0-for-2 in the air with one pick against No. 22 Texas A&M after Bell went down late in the game with a knee injury, but rushed twice for 20 yards ... Saw first career action under center against Northwestern State, when he connected on 2-of-3 passes for 42 yards and one touchdown ... Tossed a 27-yard scoring pass to Thomas White for Baylor's final touchdown vs. Northwestern State ... Played 196 snaps to earn first Baylor letter ... Wore No. 6 after donning No. 14 in 2005.

2005: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman, but dressed for every game as the Bears' No. 3 signal caller.

High School: Rider High School, Wichita Falls, Texas ... Member of *Texas Football's* 2004 Texas Top 300 ... 2004 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Top 100 selection ... Threw for 4,083 yards and 45 touchdowns in leading Raiders to an 11-3 record as a senior in 2004 ... Completed 59.8 percent of passes (278-of-465) in final prep season ... Also ran for 455 yards and 10 touchdowns to earn first-team Class 4A all-state honors from the Texas Sports Writers Association and honorable mention recognition from The Associated Press ... 2004 MVP of the *Wichita Falls Record News* Red River All-Area squad ... Threw for 447 yards and six touchdowns in a 63-42 upset win of No. 4 Stephenville in bi-district playoffs ... As a junior, passed for 2,810 yards and earned district MVP honors for the Raiders ... Also played in the secondary and returned punts ... In 2005 Oil Bowl, completed 11-of-24 passes for 95 yards and one touchdown ... Selected Baylor over TCU, Houston, Tulsa, Texas Tech and Cal ... Earned four letters in football and baseball, two in basketball ... Coached by Scott Ponder at the District 5-4A school.

Personal: The son of Steve and Donna Szymanski, Blake Michael Szymanski was born July 26, 1986, in Wichita Falls, Texas ... Brother B.J. was a baseball All-American at Princeton and currently plays with former Baylor star Michael Griffin in the Cincinnati Reds organization ... Marketing major.

SZYMANSKI'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushes: 22 at Texas Tech, Nov. 4, 2006 (25 yards)
Rushing Yards: 91 at Buffalo, Sept. 22, 2007 (11 att.)
Rushing Touchdowns: 2 at Texas Tech, Nov. 4, 2006
Pass Attempts: *60 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007 (36 comp.)
Pass Completions: *36 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007 (60 att.)
Touchdown Passes: *6 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007
Interceptions: 3, three times
Passing Yards: *412 vs. Rice, Sept, 8, 2007
Total Offense Attempts: *64 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007 (428 yards)
Total-Offense Yards: *428 vs. Colorado, Oct. 6, 2007 (64 att.)

**denotes Baylor single-game record*

SZYMANSKI'S CAREER STATISTICS

PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	PCT	YDS	INT	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2005	Redshirted							
2006	5/3	64	121	.529	689	7	4	56/at Texas Tech (TD)
2007	11/10	264	461	.573	2,844	18	22	75/at Oklahoma (TD)
Totals	**16/13**	**328**	**582**	**.564**	**3,533**	**25**	**26**	**75/at Oklahoma, TD, 2007**

RUSHING

YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2005	Redshirted					
2006	5/3	44	18	0.4	2	21/at Texas Tech
2007	11/10	61	98	1.6	1	39/at Buffalo (TD)
Career	**16/13**	**105**	**116**	**1.1**	**3**	**39/at Buffalo, 2007, TD**

18 BRAD TAYLOR

TE • 6-3 • 233 • S0-1L • MADISONVILLE, TEXAS (MADISONVILLE)

Sophomore tight end **Brad Taylor** is one of nine returning offensive starters for the 2008 Bears.

2007: Moved from quarterback to inside receiver during spring ball and went on to play in 11 games as a redshirt freshman with six starts ... Ended the season ranked No. 2 on squad in yards per catch (13.3 ypc), No. 3 in both receptions (35) and receiving yards (465), T-No. 4 in touchdown receptions (two) ... 35 receptions were most-ever by a Baylor freshman ... Caught three or more balls in eight of 11 appearances ... Registered career-high five receptions five times (Rice, Texas State, Colorado, at No. 20 Kansas, Oklahoma State) ... Recorded touchdown receptions against Rice and Texas State ... Totaled career-high 85 receiving yards against Texas State (on five receptions) ... Had career-long 37-yard reception at Kansas State ... Missed game at Buffalo with a knee injury ... Saw action on 409 snaps with a high of 65 against Colorado to earn first Baylor letter.

2006: Took a redshirt year as a true freshman when he worked as the Bears' scout team quarterback ... Named to spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Madisonville High School, Madisonville, Texas ... Dual-threat quarterback was three-year starter who earned first-team all-district honors as a senior ... Was 55-of-116 for 1,010 yards and nine touchdowns as a senior in Mustangs' run-oriented option attack ... Rushed 113 times for 661 yards and eight touchdowns ... Averaged 5.8 yards per rush ... Tossed three touchdown passes in bi-district playoff loss to Robinson ... Selected among top 15 signal callers on *Texas Football's* 2005 Texas Top 300 ... Also played middle linebacker ... Was a second-team all-district honoree as a junior after throwing for 709 yards and seven touchdowns and rushing for 416 yards and two touchdowns ... As a senior guard on the basketball team, earned first-team all-district and team MVP honors for a 22-11 squad which captured a district title and advanced to the regional semifinals of the state playoffs ... Also considered Texas A&M, Iowa State, Oklahoma State, TCU and SMU ... Coached by Greg Morgan at the District 18-3A school.

Personal: The son of Shana and Brady Taylor, Brady Dion Taylor was born Nov. 10, 1987, in Huntsville, Texas ... Mother, Shana, coaches the girls' track team at Madisonville; his uncle, Terrence McCloud, is the head boys' basketball coach and his father, Brady, heads up the Little Dribblers' program ... Enjoys riding horses and air hockey ... General Studies major.

TAYLOR'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 5, five times
Receiving Yards: 85 vs. Texas State, Sept. 15, 2007 (5 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 1, twice

TAYLOR'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2007	11/6	35	465	13.3	2	37/at Kansas State

55 J.D. WALTON

C • 6-3 • 299 • JR-1L • ALLEN, TEXAS (ALLEN/ARIZONA STATE)

Arizona State transfer **J.D. Walton** started every game at center for the 2007 Bears and is one of nine returning offensive starters, four of whom are along the Baylor o-line ... 2008 Rimington Trophy Spring Watch List member.

2007: Started every game at center for the Bears as a sophomore center ... One of three Baylor offensive linemen to start every 2007 game, joining Dan Gay and James Barnard ... Key performer for a Bears' line which yielded 21 sacks, the program's fewest since 1995 ... Shared team's Best Offensive Lineman honor with tackle Jason Smith ... Saw action on 65 or more plays in 10 games with a high of 97 at Buffalo ... Played 911 snaps, most by a BU offensive performer, and second-most overall on squad behind free safety Jordan Lake's 974 plays ... Earned first Baylor letter.

2006: Joined the Baylor program in June 2006 as a transfer from Arizona State, where he redshirted as a true freshman in 2005 ... Sat out 2006 season at Baylor as a transfer from ASU ... Named to spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

At Arizona State: Redshirted as a true freshman offensive lineman in 2005.

High School: Allen High School, Allen, Texas ... Rated as the No. 56 player in the Dallas area by Rivals.com ... Named to *Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 and State Top 100 lists ... Received 14 Division I scholarship offers ... First-team all-district and first-team all-county ... Named team Player of the Week/Offensive Line MVP six times ... Recorded 79 pancake blocks to lead District 9-5A as a senior ... Allen High was bi-district champions ... Resides on the Allen High weightlifting Wall of Honor (bench, squat, hang clean and incline) ... Invited to play in the All-American Bowl in Shreveport, La. ... Played in 2005 Coca-Cola All-Star Game and Oil Bowl ... National Honor Society member ... As a junior, was Player of the Week four times ... Second-team all-district pick recorded 59 pancake blocks as a junior when Allen captured the district title and advanced to the 5A semifinals ... Lists winning a triple overtime game in 2004 state playoffs with Arlington Lamar High as most exciting sports experience to date ... Academic achievement award winner in 2002 and 2003 ... FCA member ... Peer tutor ... Member of Reading With Eagles and Allen Community Church ... Coached by Tom Westerberg at the District 9-5A school.

Personal: The son of Danny and Donna Walton, Justin Daniel Walton was born March 24, 1987, in Lawton, Okla. ... Hopes to become a veterinarian ... Enjoys hunting, fishing, four-wheeling and all sports ... Speech Communication major.

47 LARRY WASHINGTON

RB • 6-0 • 235 • SR-1L • SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (MARSHALL/UTSA)

2007: Started junior season at linebacker, but moved to running back midway through year ... Saw action in seven games, mainly on special teams ... Made one start, at fullback, against Oklahoma State ... Did not register any offensive statistics, but was credited with an assisted tackle against Texas A&M ... Missed three games due to injury ... Played 124 snaps, 120 on special teams, to earn first letter ... 119 of 124 snaps came over first six games.

2006: Made squad as a walk-on linebacker after transferring into the Baylor program from Texas-San Antonio and sat out the season.

High School: John Marshall High School, San Antonio, Texas ... Three-year starter and letterman as a defensive end and running back for the Rams ... Member of teams that advanced to 2001 and 2002 playoffs; 2002 unit went 10-2 and was a Division II area finalist ... All-district pick ... 2004 San Antonio All-Star Game participant ... Also lettered in track ... Played for coach Mike Carew at the District 28-5A school.

Personal: The son of Larry Washington and Makiko Kuroda, Larry Steven Washington was born Feb. 26, 1985, in Belleville, Ill. ... Marketing major.

17 JOHN DAVID WEED

IR • 6-5 • 229 • SR-SQ • HOUSTON, TEXAS (CYPRESS CREEK/TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE)

After spending his first season in the Baylor program as a reserve quarterback, **John David Weed** moved to inside receiver during spring practice and is listed No. 1 on the Bears' depth chart at the "big slot" receiver position.

2007: Junior college transfer did not play in season's first seven games, but took 29 snaps over final five games ... Came off the bench against No. 19 Texas to complete 7-of-12 passes for 53 yards with one interception ... Took four snaps under center at Kansas State but did not register any statistics ... Was 0-for-4 passing vs. Texas Tech and played 10 snaps.

Junior College: Tyler Junior College, Tyler, Texas ... Ranked No. 6 among nation's junior college signal callers by JCGridiron.com ... 3-star recruit by Rivals.com was 4-star signee by Scout.com ... In two seasons at Tyler, threw for 2,683 yards and 23 touchdowns ... 2006 first-team Southwest Junior College Football Conference pick ... Selected league's offensive MVP and overall Player of the Year by coaches ... 2006 *JC Gridwire* All-American ranked No. 3 nationally in passing ... Was 130-of-241 through the air for 2,104 yards and 19 touchdowns in nine games as a sophomore for coach Jamie Critchlow's Apaches ... Led SJCFC in pass attempts, completions, yards and touchdowns ... Region 14 NJCAA Player of the Year nominee ... The Tyler offense ranked No. 2 in league (356.7 ypg) ... Redshirted in 2004 at Tyler, then played final three games of 2005 campaign and threw for 579 yards and four TDs ... Drew interest from Oklahoma, Colorado, Houston, SMU, TCU and UTEP ... Phi Theta Kappa, President's and Dean's List student also earned SWJCFC All-Academic team honors.

High School: Cypress Creek High School, Houston, Texas ... As a senior at Cypress Creek High School in 2003, threw for 1,340 yards and three touchdowns, while rushing for 393 yards and eight TDs en route to first-team all-district honors ... Led district in passing and ranked fifth in scoring as senior ... Ranked No. 11 among 70 Greater Houston Class 5A signal callers in passing yards as a senior ... Coached by Greg McCaig at the District 16-5A school.

Personal: The son of David and Kathryn Weed, John David Weed Jr. was born Sept. 18, 1985, in Houston, Texas ... Enjoys music, hunting, fishing and cars ... Favorite NFL team is the Indianapolis Colts and favorite athlete is Colts' QB Peyton Manning ... General Studies major.

WEED'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushes: 3, twice
Rushing Yards: 9 vs. Texas Tech, Nov. 4, 2007 (3 att.)
Long Rush: 7 at Kansas State, Oct. 27, 2007
Pass Attempts: 12 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007 (7 comp.)
Pass Completions: 7 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007 (12 att.)
Passing Yards: 53 vs. Texas, Oct. 20, 2007

WEED'S CAREER STATISTICS

PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	PCT	YDS	INT	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2007	3/0	7	16	.438	53	1	0	14, Texas

Other: Rushing: 2007: 7-17-0; **Career:** 7-17-0

3 THOMAS WHITE

IR • 6-2 • 205 • SR-2L • PLANO, TEXAS (WEST)

2007: Former walk-on was rewarded with a scholarship prior to the start of fall camp and went on to lead the Bears in touchdown receptions (eight), receiving yards (475) and yards per catch (14.0 ypc), while ranking No. 4 in receptions (34) ... The eight touchdown receptions tied for the second-highest single-season total in school history ... Was No. 12 in Big 12 among non-kickers in scoring (5.3 ppg) ... Began season as a wide receiver, but moved to the inside after the Texas game and responded with 22 receptions for 361 yards and six touchdowns over Bears' final four games ... Caught a career-high nine passes for 68 yards and a career-high tying two touchdowns against Oklahoma State in only start of season ... Caught touchdown receptions of 6 and 28 yards against the Cowboys ... At No. 4 Oklahoma, registered two receptions for 117 yards and a career-high tying two touchdowns with scoring grabs of 75 (a career-long) and 42 yards ... Totaled seven receptions for 58 yards at Texas Tech ... Had four receptions for a career-best 118 yards and a career-high tying two touchdowns at Kansas State ... Recorded touchdown catches of 52 and 35 yards against Wildcats ... Also had four receptions for 36 yards and one touchdown, a 17-yard grab, vs. No. 19 Texas ... Totaled four receptions vs. Colorado (for 23 yards) and three (for 50 yards and one touchdown) against Rice ... 13 career multi-catch games include seven such performances in 2007 and five straight to end season ... Also rushed three times for 17 yards with a long of eight yards ... Averaged 15.8 yards on four kickoff returns with a long of 21 ... Voted Baylor's Best Offensive Skill Player ... Played in nine games and drew one start (Oklahoma State) ... Missed games at No. 22 TCU and Buffalo due to injury and did not play vs. Texas State (coaches decision) ... Saw action on 311 snaps to earn second Baylor letter ... 184 of 311 snaps over final four games, including career-high 50 plays at Kansas State.

2006: The Bears' fourth-leading receiver as a sophomore inside receiver position ... Caught 26 passes for 372 yards and two touchdowns in nine appearances with five starts ... Averaged 14.3 yards per reception to rank second on squad among Bears with at least 13 receptions and registered six multi-catch games ... Caught three passes for 38 yards against No. 16 Oklahoma ... Totaled a team-high five receptions for 46 yards at Texas Tech ... Had three catches for 40 yards vs. No. 22 Texas A&M ... Four receptions for 52 yards against Kansas, one of which was then-career-long 34-yard grab ... Totaled then-career-highs in both receptions (six) and receiving yards (95) at No. 6 Texas ... Did not have any statistics in first career start vs. Kansas State, but had one reception for 26 yards in second start at Colorado ... In first 2006 appearance vs. Northwestern State totaled three receptions for 52 yards and two TDs ... First reception as a Bear was a 14-yarder from Shawn Bell in the Northwestern State game ... Then caught touchdown passes of 11 yards from Bell on the next play and 27 yards from Blake Szymanski later in the game ... Named Baylor's Most Improved Offensive Player ... Played 245 snaps to earn first letter.

2005: Redshirt freshman saw action on one play against Samford and dressed for two other games ... Slowed by a hamstring injury for much of season ... Named to spring 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

2004: Joined Baylor program as a walk-on after drawing interest from SMU, Rice, Dartmouth and an offer from Navy ... Dressed for six games but took a redshirt.

High School: Plano West High School, Plano, Texas ... Earned a pair of letters in football and three in track for the Wolves ... As a senior, caught 32 passes for 512 yards and five scores, while returning 14 kicks for 306 yards ... First-team All-Collin County and second-team all-district performer ... Was second-leading receiver in district as a senior when Plano West finished 7-3 ... Anchored regional qualifying 4x200-meter relay team and completed in sprints and jumps with top marks of 10.6 (100m), 21.8 (200m) and 22-6 (long jump) ... Active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes ... Coached by Mike Hughes at the District 9-5A school.

Personal: The son of Lee and Cathy White, Thomas Benjamin White was born Feb. 28, 1986, in Dallas, Texas ... Political Science major.

WHITE'S SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions: 9 vs. Oklahoma State, Nov. 17, 2007 (68 yards)
Receiving Yards: 118 at Kansas State, Oct. 27, 2007 (4 rec.)
Touchdown Receptions: 2, four times

WHITE'S CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2004	Redshirted					
2005	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	—
2006	9/5	23	334	14.5	2	34/Kansas
2007	9/1	34	475	14.0	8	75/at Oklahoma (TD)
Career	**19/6**	**57**	**809**	**14.2**	**10**	**75/at Oklahoma, TD, 2007**

Other: Rushing: 2004: Redshirt; **2005:** 0-0-0; **2006:** 2-5-0; **2007:** 3-17-0; **Career:** 5-22-0; **Kickoff Returns: 2004:** Redshirt; **2005:** 0-0-0; **2006:** 0-0-0; **2007:** 4-63-0; **Career:** 4-63-0

4 JEREMY WILLIAMS

S • 5-10 • 206 • JR-2L • DALLAS, TEXAS (CARTER)

2007: Saw action in 11 games and made four starts as a sophomore strong safety ... T-No. 5 on squad in tackles for loss with 5.5 stops behind the line and T-No. 10 in tackles (38) ... Also had 1.0 sack ... Registered eight multi-tackle games on season with four or more stops five times ... Totaled two tackles (one solo) against Oklahoma State in fourth career start ... Career-high and team co-leading eight tackles (seven solos) with 1.0 tackle for loss at No. 4 Oklahoma in third career start ... Had career-high tying 1.5 tackles for loss vs. Texas Tech ... Tallied five tackles (three solos) and 1.0 tackle for loss at Kansas State ... Career-high-tying six tackles (four solos) vs. No. 19 Texas ... Had five tackles (three solos) vs. Colorado ... Then-career-high six tackles (three solos) with a career-high 1.5 for loss and 1.0 sack vs. Rice in second career start ... Totaled one assisted tackle vs. No. 22 TCU in first career start ... Played 460 snaps, including a career-high 59 plays both at No. 4 Oklahoma and vs. Oklahoma State, to earn second letter.

2006: Redshirt freshman outside safety played in 10 games, mainly on special teams ... Had a fumble recovery vs. Northwestern State and a pass breakup at Oklahoma State ... Played 82 snaps to earn first Baylor letter ... Spring Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

2005: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman at Baylor.

High School: Carter High School, Dallas, Texas ... 2004 first-team All-District 9-5A pick as a defensive back by *The Dallas Morning News* ... Talented two-way player rushed 30 times for 405 yards and scored seven touchdowns as a running back and caught four passes for 45 yards ... Tallied 85 tackles, three sacks, three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries in final prep season ... As a senior, helped team to a 10-2 record, a district title, the Class 5A Division II playoffs and a season-ending *Dallas Morning News* No. 4 rank ... Had 115 tackles, four sacks, two forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries as a junior for a 12-1 Carter squad which captured the district title and advanced to the Division II regional semifinals ... Member of Carter's second-place 4x100-meter and third-place 4x200-meter relay teams at 2005 state meet ... Also considered Louisiana Tech before following former Cowboys Braelon Davis and Chris Evans to Baylor ... Graduated with honors and was active in Carter student council ... Coached by Allen Wilson at the District 9-5A school.

Personal: The son of Dana Williams, Jeremy Damone Williams was born Jan. 4, 1987, in Dallas, Texas ... Cousin of Baylor sophomore defensive end Jameon Hardeman ... Speech Communications major.

JEREMY WILLIAMS' SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Tackles: 8 at Oklahoma, Nov. 10, 2007
Solo Tackles: 7 at Oklahoma, Nov. 10, 2007
Tackles for Loss: 1.5, twice
Sacks: 1 vs. Rice, Sept. 8, 2007

JEREMY WILLIAMS' CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF/FR	PD	INT-YDS
2005			Redshirted						
2006	10/0	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/1	1	0-0
2007	11/4	25	13	38	5.5-23	1.0-3	0/0	0	0-0
Totals	**21/4**	**25**	**13**	**38**	**5.5-23**	**1.0-3**	**0/1**	**1**	**0-0**

85 STACY WILLIAMS

WR • 6-0 • 181 • FR-RS • HOUSTON, TEXAS (YATES)

2007: Elected to take a redshirt year as a true freshman ... Named to fall Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll.

High School: Yates High School, Houston, Texas ... Listed on *Houston Chronicle's* Top 100 Area list ... Named the 2006 District 20-4A offensive MVP as senior ... Played quarterback, running back, wide receiver and cornerback for the 2006 Lions, leading team to a 10-3 record overall and a 5-1 district mark ...Rushed 110 times for 873 yards, an average of 7.9 yards per attempt, with eight touchdowns as a senior ... Completed 9-of-42 passes with three interceptions for 100 yards and two touchdowns ... Caught four passes for 168 yards and one touchdown ... 2006 *Texas Football* Top 300 selection ... 31 receptions for 611 yards and six touchdowns as a junior ... All-told, he scored 10 touchdowns as a junior ... Also considered Arizona State, Oklahoma State, UTEP and Louisiana-Lafayette ... Coached by Clarence McKinney at the District 20-4A school.

Personal: The son of Alecia Boone, Stacy Jerome Williams was born Nov. 2, 1988 ... Will celebrate 20th birthday the day after Baylor's game against Missouri ... Undecided major.

2008 SIGNEES

Class Breakdown:

By State:

Texas (21): IR Romie Blaylock, LB Rodney Chadwick, DL Jared Edwards, QB Nick Florence, QB Kirby Freeman, OL Brandon Garrett, QB Robert Griffin, DB Trentson Hill, OL Jake Jackson, DL Kaeron Johnson, OL Cameron Kaufhold, DE Gary Mason Jr., PK Ben Parks, DL Tracy Robertson, RB Jarred Salubi, WR Lanear Sampson, QB Jeremy Sanders, WR T.J. Scranton, WR Terrance Williams, CB Michael Williams, ATH Kendall Wright

Alabama (1): OL Rodney Brisbon

Canada (1): LB Fredric Plesius

By Position (First Position Listed):

Offense (13): IR Romie Blaylock, OL Rodney Brisbon, QB Nick Florence, QB Kirby Freeman, OL Brandon Garrett, QB Robert Griffin, OL Jake Jackson, OL Cameron Kaufhold, RB Jarred Salubi, WR Lanear Sampson, QB Jeremy Sanders, WR T.J. Scranton, WR Terrance Williams

Defense (8): LB Rodney Chadwick, DL Jared Edwards, DB Trentson Hill, DL Kaeron Johnson, DE Gary Mason Jr., LB Fredric Plesius, DL Tracy Robertson, CB Michael Williams

Athlete (1): ATH Kendall Wright

Kicker (1): PK Ben Parks

Note: Bios on Blaylock, Freeman and Griffin included in returnees section since all went through spring practice.

RODNEY BRISBON

OL • 6-6 • 330 • JR-TR • WETUMPKA, ALA. (ROBERT E. LEE/NW MISSISSIPPI CC)

Rodney Brisbon, the first signee of the Art Briles era at Baylor, was an All-American junior college offensive lineman at Northwest Mississippi Community College ... 3-star Rivals.com and Scout.com ranking ... Brisbon signed with the Bears in December 2007, will enroll at Baylor in the summer of 2008 with two years of eligibility remaining ... Earned first-team All-America honors as an offensive tackle in 2006 at Northwest Mississippi Community College and second-team recognition from *JC Gridwire* ... Helped Northwest Mississippi Community College to a 6-4 record and the 2006 North Division title ... Also received All-Region XXIII accolades for coach Randy Pippin ... Was a first-team Mississippi Association Community/Junior College all-state selection as well as the MACJC's most valuable offensive lineman ... Originally signed a National Letter of Intent in 2007 to attend the University of Houston and play for Briles' Cougars, but never enrolled at the school ... Selected as team's offensive MVP as a senior at Robert E. Lee High School in Montgomery, Ala., Brisbon earned first-team all-state and all-metro honors for the Generals ... He was also selected as a team captain and was tabbed to play in the state all-star game ... Was recruited by Alabama, Oklahoma State, Kansas State, Miami [Fla.], and Ole Miss coming out of high school.

Briles on Brisbon: "R.J. Brisbon has a huge body, a great attitude and really good feet. He has the potential to be a big-time player for us."

RODNEY CHADWICK

LB • 6-2 • 190 • FR-HS • CARTHAGE, TEXAS (CARTHAGE)

The 2007 District 20-3A defensive MVP as a senior at Carthage [Texas] High School, **Rodney Chadwick** registered 132 tackles, three forced fumbles and one interception in his final prep season ... Credited with more than 100 tackles and five sacks as a junior en route to first-team all-district honors ... District sophomore of the year ... Also lettered in basketball and track ... Selected Baylor over Louisiana-Monroe ... Coached by Scott Surratt at the District 20-3A school ... Rodney Elton Chadwick was born Feb. 9, 1990.

Briles on Chadwick: "Rodney is a talented outside linebacker. He's extremely fast. Once he specializes (in football), we really believe he has a great upside. He's a real diamond in the rough and we are glad that he's a Baylor Bear."

JARED EDWARDS

DT/DE • 6-4 • 250 • FR-HS • MANSFIELD, TEXAS (TIMBERVIEW)

Defensive lineman **Jared Edwards** was a two-way starter at Mansfield [Texas] Timberview High School ... Earned 2007 first-team all-district honors as a defensive end and was runner-up in District 4-5A Defensive Player of the Year voting ... Also a 2007 second-team all-district pick as an offensive tackle for the Wolves ... Registered 54 pancakes, 67 knockdowns and one touchdown on the offensive side of the ball in 2007 ... Also had 52 tackles in final prep season, including seven for loss, four sacks, five forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries ... Coached by Terry Cron at the District 4-5A school ... Older brother, Lonnie, is redshirt freshman offensive lineman at Texas Tech who originally committed to Baylor before switching pledge to Red Raiders ... Selected Baylor over Georgia Tech, Iowa State, Houston, Tulsa and Utah ... Jared Loyd Edwards was born Jan. 3, 1990.

Briles on Edwards: "Jared is a big, strong, physical defensive end that possess the mentality and physicalness that we are looking for at that position. We think he has the potential to develop more physically over the next few years."

NICK FLORENCE

QB • 6-2 • 175 • FR-HS • GARLAND, TEXAS (SOUTH GARLAND)

One of four Metroplex preps to throw for 3,000 yards in 2007, **Nick Florence** was the area's fourth-leading passer as a senior at South Garland [Texas] High School ... Ranked No. 22 on Rivals.com's dual-threat quarterbacks list ... 3-star ranking from both Rivals.com and Scout.com ... Rated the nation's 66th-best prep signal caller by Scout.com ... *Houston Chronicle* Texas Top 100 member ... Ranked No. 62 on the *San Antonio Express-News'* Texas Top 100 and No. 46 on *The Dallas Morning News* Area Top 100 list ... 2007 *Texas Football* Texas Top 300 honoree was also tabbed one of state's top 20 quarterbacks in the preseason ... 2007 District 10-5A MVP ... Selected to the 2007 *Dallas Morning News'* all-area first-team ... Also earned first-team 10-5A all-district honors in final prep season ... Passed for over 8,000 yards in three-year prep career and established 10 Garland ISD records ... Holds Garland ISD career marks for passing yards (8,001), total offense yards (9,131) and total-offense touchdowns (87) ... As a senior, set Garland ISD records for passing yards (3,047), total-offense yards (3,495), touchdown passes (30) and total-offense touchdowns (39) ... Completed 212-of-357 passes for 3,047 yards and 30 touchdowns as a senior with just four interceptions ... Also rushed 138 times for 448 yards and nine touchdowns .... Threw a school single-game record five touchdown passes vs. arch-rival Garland as a senior ... Led coach Mickey Moss' 2007 Colonels to a 10-2 overall record and the District 10-5A title with a 7-0 record ... As a junior, he completed 211-of-366 passes for 2,910 yards and 23 touchdowns with 14 picks en route to second-team all-district honors ... Rushed for 431 yards and six touchdowns on 111 carries ... Ranked No. 4 in the Metroplex in passing yards as a junior, when he established Garland ISD single-game records for passing (450) and total-offense (472) yards vs. Plano West ... Completed 145-of-264 passes as a sophomore for 2,295 yards and 12 TDs, while rushing 88 times for 251 and seven scores ... District Newcomer of the Year as sophomore ... Also lettered in track as a sophomore ... Twin brother, Luke, played safety for South Garland ... "He's going to be an outstanding quarterback," Moss said. "Nick's just a unique kid. He's such a fierce competitor, but he's also the best leader that I've ever been around as a young man." ... The son of Joe and Tina Florence, Nicolas Daryl Florence was born June 21, 1989, in Dallas, Texas ... Parents are both Baylor graduates ... Has four brothers: Matt, Josh, Zach and Luke ... Honors student ranks second in 467-member senior class academically and scored over 1,200 on SAT the first time he took it ... Selected Baylor over Purdue ... Committed to Baylor in March 2007.

Briles on Florence: "Nick is very energetic and has a lively arm. He keeps the play alive a lot of times with his feet and is a very intelligent player. Nick is self-motivated and self-confidant. We believe he's going to be a good player here at Baylor."

BRANDON GARRETT

OL • 6-7 • 290 • FR-HS • LA MARQUE, TEXAS (LA MARQUE)

The tallest recruit in Baylor's 2008 class, **Brandon Garrett** was a standout offensive and defensive lineman at La Marque [Texas] High School ... Could not play in 2007 due to UIL age rules ... As a junior, earned first-team District 23-4A honors as a defensive lineman for coach Chris Jones' Cougars ... Selected Baylor over Nebraska, Kansas State, Houston, Colorado, Southern Miss and Oklahoma State ... Brandon Trent Garrett was born July 23, 1988.

Briles on Garrett: "When you are 6-7, 290 and you can play, that's a pretty good starting base. He's going to be a great addition for us. Brandon is a big-time player from a big-time program in La Marque, Texas, and he's coming to a big-time place in Baylor."

TRENTSON HILL

DB • 6-0 • 175 • FR-HS • MOUNT PLEASANT, TEXAS (MOUNT PLEASANT)

A three-sport standout at Mount Pleasant [Texas] High School, cornerback **Trenston Hill** is expected to give the Bears immediate help in the secondary ... Earned first-team 2007 Class 4A All-State honors from The Associated Press and second-team recognition from the Texas Sports Writers Association as a cornerback ... *Tyler Morning Telegraph* and *Longview News-Journal* first-team All-East Texas honoree ... 2007 District 11-4A offensive MVP ... Registered 72 tackles, five interceptions, three fumble recoveries, two sacks and 11 pass breakups as a senior, while scoring two defensive touchdowns ... As a wide receiver, had 22 receptions for 396 yards and nine touchdowns ... Also rushed 12 times for 85 yards ... Selected Baylor over TCU, UTEP and Tulsa ... Played for coach Jimmy Thompson at the District 11-4A school ... "The first year (in our program), he was a great athlete out there on the field, but he wasn't that good of a player," Thompson said. "This year, he became a great player. He played pretty much every down for us. I think the only time he wasn't on the field was on our punt and kickoff teams." ... Also a standout basketball player for the Tigers and as a junior was a region triple jump qualifier ... Listed among Who's Who Among American High School Students ... The son of Roshanda Hill and the late Fredrick Jackson, Trentson Kier Hill was born Dec. 12, 1989, in Mount Pleasant, Texas.

Briles on Hill: "He's an outstanding athlete, possibly as athletic as anyone in this class. Trentson could play a variety of positions for us, but he'll play at defensive back. He's an extremely explosive player who is eager to get on campus and help us win football games."

JAKE JACKSON

OL • 6-4 • 280 • FR-HS • SOUTHLAKE, TEXAS (CARROLL)

Offensive lineman **Jake Jackson** did not allow a sack while playing guard or tackle as a senior for perennial Texas 5A power Southlake Carroll [Texas] High School ... *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* Texas Top 100 member was also an Area Top 50 performer by the same publication ... No. 52 on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 list ... Scout.com lists him as the nation's 67th-best offensive guard ... Earned 2007 first-team *Dallas Morning News* all-area honors and was a first-team All-District 5-5A performer as a senior ... 2007 second-team Class 5A Texas Sports Writers Association all-state pick ... 2007 Texas Top 300 selection by *Texas Football* magazine ... Recorded 143 pins/pancake blocks and graded out at 98 percent in final prep season for Dragons ... Was the starting left guard for Southlake's 2006 16-0 state 5A and national championship team as junior ... Had 132 pins/pancake blocks as a junior and yielded just one sack ... Also a member of the Dragons' 2005 squad which won the Texas 5A title and was crowned national champions ... In three seasons on the Southlake Carroll varsity, the Dragons fashioned a 43-2 record ... Has only played football since the seventh grade; prior to that was a hockey player ... Family lived in Canada during Jake's childhood ... Coached as a senior by Hal Wasson at the District 5-5A school, prior to that was coached by Todd Dodge ... "So many times people think the spread offense is more a finesse offense," Wasson said. "But, Jake is a real physical football player. He's a great run blocker. And he's athletic enough to do things on counters and traps. He's the complete package." ... The son of Charles and Cathy Jackson, Jacob Odell Jackson was born Oct. 2, 1989, in Bedford, Texas ... Parents are both Baylor graduates ... His father, Charles, was a basketball letterwinner (1980) for the Bears ... Ranks in Top 10 percent of senior class ... Selected Baylor over Georgia Tech, Louisville, Colorado State, Houston, Tulsa and New Mexico ... Has two brothers and plans to major in business at Baylor.

Briles on Jackson: "Jake has Baylor blood that runs deep. He comes out of an outstanding high school program and is a very intelligent and structured individual. He's a big, strong player who is only going to get better and become a very good player for us."

KAERON JOHNSON

DT • 6-2 • 265 • FR-HS • CUERO, TEXAS (CUERO)

A two-way standout at Cuero [Texas] High School, **Kaeron Johnson** will play defensive tackle for the Bears after a standout prep career for the Gobblers that saw him play offensive guard, defensive end and tight end ... Earned third-team 2007 Texas Sports Writers Association Class 3A all-state honors as both a tight end and defensive end ... Also a second-team Class 3A Associated Press all-state defensive tackle and honorable mention pick as a tight end ... Garnered unanimous first-team All-District 29-3A honors as both a tight end and defensive end in final prep season for second consecutive year ... First-team *Victoria Advocate* all-area tight end ... Totaled 58 tackles and nine sacks as a senior ... Member of the 2007 *Texas Football's* Texas Top 300 ... As a junior, registered 60 tackles en route to second-team Class 3A all-state honors from both The Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association ... Earned unanimous first-team All-District 29-3A honors as both a defensive end and offensive lineman as a junior ... Coached by Mark Reeve at the District 29-3A school ... Also a standout discus thrower ... Placed third in the discus at the 2008 Class 3A state meet with a mark of 165-4 to Gobblers earn their third team title in four seasons ... Selected Baylor over Arizona, Missouri, Colorado State, Houston and Rice ... Kaeron DeShaud Johnson was born March 10, 1990.

Briles on Johnson: "He's a big, strong, physical kid who has played tight end and defensive end. We are projecting him as an inside d-linemen. He's another guy that once he specializes, he'll weigh 287 pounds and be very athletic. We think he's a steal. He's a great fit for what we are looking for on the inside of our defensive line. He comes out of a great program at Cuero."

CAMERON KAUFHOLD

OL • 6-5 • 275 • FR-HS • FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS (FRIENDSWOOD)

One of four offensive linemen in Baylor's 2008 recruiting class, **Cameron Kaufhold** was a standout at Friendswood [Texas] High School ... *Houston Chronicle* Area Top 110 member ... First-team District 23-4A selection in final two prep seasons ... Coached by Steve Van Meter at the District 23-4A school ... The son of Kent and Tammy Kaufhold, Cameron Kent Kaufhold was born Dec. 25, 1989 ... Selected Baylor over Arizona State, TCU, Colorado State, Houston, Rice and North Texas.

Briles on Kaufhold: "Cameron is going to be a great addition to our program. He's another big, strong, physical football player who is very intelligent. He comes out of a great high school program and we are excited to have him."

GARY MASON JR.

DE • 6-5 • 211 • FR-HS • Waxahachie, Texas (Waxahachie)

Gary Mason Jr. ranked as the nation's 21st-best weakside defensive end by Rivals.com after a standout prep career at Waxahachie [Texas] High School ... No. 45 on the Lone Star Recruiting Texas Top 100 list ...3-star Rivals.com and Scout.com signee ... Ranked No. 43 on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 and No. 78 on the publication's Texas State Top 100 list ... Scout.com lists Mason as the nation's 30th-best strongside linebacker ... *Waco Tribune-Herald* and *Houston Chronicle* Top 100 member ... Was rated 54th on the *Austin American-Statesman's* preseason Fab 55 list ... 2007 Texas Top 300 pick by *Texas Football* magazine ... Earned 2007 second-team Texas Sports Writers Association Class 4A all-state honors ... Co-2007 District 15-4A defensive MVP after helping the Indians to a 10-2 record and a district title ... Had 86 tackles, including 24 for loss and 14 sacks as a senior ... Missed sophomore season on the gridiron with a torn ACL, which slowed play as a junior ... Totaled 21 tackles, including three for loss and two sacks, as a junior ... Caught 10 passes for 74 yards and rushed four times for 28 yards in 2006 ... Also a standout basketball player for the Indians, he earned all-region honors as a junior after averaging a double-double ... District newcomer of the year on the hardwood as a sophomore ... Captured district long jump crown as a junior and went on to finish third at regionals ..."He's got all the tools," Waxahachie football head coach David Ream said. "He runs a 4.7 (in the 40-yard dash), high jumps 6-7, he's got a big wingspan, everything everybody's looking for." ... Selected Baylor in July 2007 over offers from Kansas, New Mexico, SMU and Louisiana-Monroe ... The son of Gary Mason Sr. and Lisa Allen, Gary Lynn Mason Jr. was born April 18, 1990, in Waxahachie ... His cousin is former Oklahoma State hoops standout and current Milwaukee Buck Desmond Mason.

Briles on Mason: "Gary is very athletic, who has real good body control and a quick twitch. He's an explosive player and we are very excited about his future. He will be a very dynamic player for us down the line."

BEN PARKS

PK • 6-2 • 195 • FR-HS • ARGYLE, TEXAS (ARGYLE)

A two-time, first-team Texas Sports Writers Association Class 3A all-state place-kicker, **Ben Parks** also punted and played linebacker as a senior at Argyle [Texas] High School ... Rated the nation's 26th-best place-kicker by Scout.com ... Hit 11-of-17 field goals and 57-of-60 PATs as a senior for the 10-3 District 8-3A champion Eagles ... Also earned 2007 second-team Texas Sports Writers Association Class 3A all-state honors as a punter after averaging 37.8 yards per kick and placing 16 of 31 punts inside the 20 ... Was a unanimous all-district pick as a kicker in final prep season and also earned 2007 first-team all-district recognition as a punter ... Also earned first-team all-area honors as a senior ... As a junior, earned first-team Class 3A all-state honors from both The Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association after making 34 PATs and connecting on 6-of-8 field goals with a long of 49 yards ..."The amazing thing is he did all the stuff at kicker while also being a full-time position player for us," Argyle coach Todd Rodgers said."This is a kid that knows a lot about winning and what it takes to compete on a winning football team. And I think that's exactly what Baylor was looking for. They recruited a kid that knows how to win." ... Also considered Wyoming and Air Force ... Benjamin Andrew Parks was born Sept. 26, 1989.

Briles on Parks: "Ben Parks is coming in here to challenge for the kicking duties (as a freshman). He has a very strong leg and a smooth motion. He gets the ball up fast and that's critical. He's an athlete and if it breaks down in front of him, he can make a play."

FREDRIC PLESIUS

LB • 6-2 • 247 • FR-HS • CHAMPLAIN PREP SCHOOL, LENNOXVILLE, QUEBEC

Believed to be Baylor's first-ever Canadian recruit, **Fredric Plesius** was a standout linebacker at Champlain Prep School in Lennoxville, Quebec ... Totaled 77 tackles, five sacks and two interceptions as a senior ... Team MVP ... All-Star CEGEP AAA ... Coached by Jean Francois Joncas.

Briles on Plesius: "Fredric is extremely athletic and can dunk a basketball with two hands. He is a physical, intense defensive football player, which is what we are looking for. He brings a lot to the table that we are very excited about."

TRACY ROBERTSON

DL • 6-4 • 230 • FR-HS • HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAMAR)

A standout defensive end at Houston's Lamar High School, **Tracy Robertson** earned first-team All-District 20-5A honors as a senior after totaling 83 tackles, 11 sacks and two fumble recoveries ... *Houston Chronicle* Area 110 member ... Helped coach Tom Nolen's 2007 Redskins to a 10-2 record and the district title ... Tabbed one of the state's Top 25 defensive linemen by *Texas Football* magazine and was a member of that publication's 2007 Top 300 ... Second-team all-district pick as a junior after registering eight sacks ... Played three seasons of varsity football and two years of varsity basketball ... Selected Baylor over Minnesota and Houston ... The son of Urita Emanuel, Tracy Floyd Robertson was born Sept. 26, 1989, in Houston, Texas.

Briles on Robertson: "Tracy had multiple offers from BCS schools. He has a very explosive first step and a very energetic personality. He's a student-athlete that is on the upswing of being a very dominate football player. We are extremely proud and excited to have Tracy on board."

JARRED SALUBI

RB • 5-10 • 191 • FR-HS • WACO, TEXAS (WACO)

A second-team 2007 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex honoree, **Jarred Salubi** also earned honorable mention Class 4A all-state honors from The Associated Press in his final prep campaign at Waco [Texas] High School ... Ranked No. 4 on the *Waco Tribune-Herald's* Central Texas Top 25 ... Named to *Texas Football* magazine's 2007 Texas Top 300 ... Rushed 168 times for 1,306 yards and 15 touchdowns for the district champion Lions as a senior ... Also caught four passes for 24 yards ... As a junior, earned District 16-4A MVP honors after running for 1,544 yards and 17 touchdowns for Coach Johnny Tusa's 13-3, Class 4A state runner-up team ... 2006 first-team *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex selection ... Honorable mention Class 4A 2006 all-state pick by The Associated Press ..."He was a very productive player and had the ability to get us of a jam with his running or pass-catching ability," Tusa said. "The main thing Jarred brings to the table is a tremendous team attitude and work ethic to go along with being one of the fastest guys in the state of Texas." ... Ran a leg on Waco High's 2007 Class 4A state championship 4x100-meter relay team and was a member of Lions' 2008 silver-medal winning 4x200-meter relay unit ... The son of Oba Salubi and Denise Salubi, Jarred Allen Salubi was born Sept. 10, 1989, in Dallas, Texas ... Selected Baylor over Missouri, Texas Tech, Iowa State and Rice.

Briles on Salubi: "Jarred is a great fit for us offensively and a great fit for the style of offense we are going to run. We like a guy who can move sideways as fast as he can move forward and Jarred can do that. He has some top end speed which is really good. Plus, he's tough and has good hands. He'll be a great back for the Baylor Bears. Jarred is a local product that the people of Waco will enjoy watching for the next four years."

LANEAR SAMPSON

WR • 6-0 • 190 • FR-HS • MESQUITE, TEXAS (NORTH MESQUITE)

Ranked 50th nationally among all wide receivers by Rivals.com, **Lanear Sampson** caught 49 passes for 886 yards and six touchdowns as a senior at North Mesquite [Texas] High School ... 3-star Rivals.com and Scout.com recruit ... Ranks 57th on the Rivals.com Texas Top 100 list and is No. 74 on *SuperPrep's* Texas 110 list ... No. 25 on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 ... Ranked 83rd in the state by Scout.com and is listed as the nation's 92nd-best receiver by the same service ... Earned honorable mention 2007 Class 5A all-state honors from both The Associated Press and the Texas Sports Writers Association ... *Houston Chronicle* Texas Top 100, *Waco Tribune-Herald* Texas Top 100 and *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* Top 100 member ... Ranked No. 87 on the *San Antonio Express-News* Texas Top 100 ... No. 25 on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 and No. 62 on the Lone Star Recruiting Texas Top 100 ... Named one of the state's top 20 receivers on *Texas Football* magazine's 2007 Texas Top 300 list ... Earned second-team District 12-5A honors as a senior ... Registered 24 catches for 425 yards and four touchdowns as a junior en route to first-team District 12-5A recognition ... Caught 10 passes, one for a touchdown, as a sophomore ... Played for coach Mike Robinson at the District 12-5A school ... Committed to Baylor in June 2007 after receiving offers from Nebraska, Oklahoma State, Arizona, Duke, Virginia, Wisconsin, North Texas and Rice ... The son of Bryan and Debra Sampson, Emmanuel Lanear Sampson was born July 17, 1990, in Dallas, Texas ... Participated in North Mesquite's PALS (Positive Assistance For Live Time Skills) program.

Briles on Sampson: "Lanear is a strong, physical receiver who is very unselfish. He runs precision routes, has soft hands and a tough mind. He fits the characteristics we look for in a wide receiver."

JEREMY SANDERS

QB • 6-2 • 210 • JR-JC • MARLIN, TEXAS (MARLIN/NAVARRO COLLEGE)

Jeremy Sanders originally signed with Baylor following senior year at Marlin [Texas] High School and renewed Baylor pledge following a highly successful two-year career at Navarro [Texas] College ... 3-star ranking by both Rivals.com and Scout.com ... Will enroll at Baylor in May 2008 ... In two seasons at Navarro, completed 183-of-361 passes for 2,252 yards with 11 touchdowns and 12 interceptions ... Ranks third all-time in pass completions, attempts and completion percentage (.507), fifth in career passing yards ... Also rushed 155 times in career for 827 yards and 12 touchdowns ... Accounted for 3,079 total-offense yards and 23 touchdowns in two-year Navarro career ... As a sophomore, completed 123-of-224 passes for 1,624 yards and 10 touchdowns with eight interceptions ... Ranks fifth on Navarro's single-season list for pass completions, sixth in both passing yards and attempts ... Produced four, 200-yard passing games as a sophomore ... Also rushed 95 times for 483 yards and five touchdowns in final season at Navarro ... Earned honorable mention All- Southwest Junior College Football Conference (SWJCFC) honors as a sophomore ... Led coach Ray Woodward's Bulldogs to a 9-3 record, the 2007 SWJCFC title and a No. 4 final national ranking ... Tabbed MVP of Pilgrim's Pride Bowl after leading Navarro to a 24-21 victory over Georgia Military Academy ... Navarro finished No. 2 nationally in total offense in 2007 (428 yards per game) and produced the highest-scoring offense in school history (42.8 ppg) ... Selected Baylor for the second time after receiving offers from Missouri, Oklahoma State, Arkansas, Tulsa and Utah State ... The three-year starter at quarterback for Marlin High School earned first-team 2005 *Waco Tribune-Herald* Super Centex honors ... Rated one of the state's top 15 signal callers in *Dave Campbell's 2005 Texas Football* Texas Top 300 ... Completed 148-of-217 passes for 2,540 yards and 27 touchdowns with only one interception as a senior while leading the

Bulldogs to an 8-2-1 record and the playoffs ... Also rushed 126 times for 882 yards and 16 touchdowns ... Earned 2005 District 18-3A offensive MVP honors ... Honorable mention 2005 all-state selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association ... As a junior, received first-team *Tribune-Herald* Super Centex honors after totaling more than 3,000 total-offense yards ... Rushed for 1,391 yards and 21 touchdowns while throwing for 1,954 yards and 14 more scores ... Runs a 4.6 40 ... Played for coach Jerry Malone at the District 18-3A school ... "He's got the athletic ability to go in there and play this fall," Malone said. "I think you'll see him playing in the NFL one day. He's got that kind of ability." ... The son of Genail Sanders, Jeremy R. Sanders was born Nov. 30, 1987, and will turn 21 the day after Baylor's regular-season finale at Texas Tech ... Nicknamed J-Mo.

Briles on Sanders: "Jeremy is an outstanding athlete. He's big and strong. He's proven himself over the years at both the high school and junior college levels, so we see him stepping in and having the opportunity to prove himself at Baylor. We are excited that he's on board."

T.J. SCRANTON

WR • 5-10 • 180 • JR-JC • HITCHCOCK, TEXAS (HITCHCOCK/KILGORE COLLEGE)

One of four wide receivers in Baylor's 2008 signing class, **T.J. Scranton** joins the Baylor program from Kilgore [Texas] College ... Slated to enroll at Baylor in May 2008 ... 3-star ranking by Scout.com ... Caught 57 passes for 796 yards and 13 touchdowns for a 2007 Kilgore team which finished 8-4 and earned a Heart of Texas bowl bid ... Originally signed with Coach Briles' Houston Cougar program in 2005, enrolled at Houston and did not play before transferring to Ranger [Texas] College where he played as a freshman in 2006 ... At Hitchcock [Texas] High School, Scranton earned Class 2A all-state honors ... The two-time All-Greater Houston team member earned 2004 all-county and all-district recognition ... Also played basketball and was a regional qualifier in both the 400 meters and the triple jump as a prep ... Played for Bulldogs' coach Gary Carney at the District 26-2A school ... The son of Anthony and Willie Washington, Truman J. Scranton was born Nov. 30, 1986, in Galveston, Texas ... Selected Baylor over Houston, Syracuse, South Carolina and Illinois ... "Actually, when he was still at (Houston), I was going to go back," Scranton said. "Because he was the only one that really gave me a chance coming out of high school. And now I had all these schools wanting to come back in on me, but I want to play for coach Briles. I know he's a winner, and I know he's going to go in there and turn that program around."

Briles on Scranton: "T.J. is an extremely fast receiver. He blends in with a tremendous amount of confidence, self-discipline, drive and is anxious to come here and win football games at Baylor."

MICHAEL WILLIAMS

CB • 6-1 • 180 • FR-HS • BEAUMONT, TEXAS (WEST BROOK)

Scout.com rated West Brook [Texas] High School standout **Michael Williams** as the nation's 54th-best cornerback, while Rivals.com places him 55th nationally ... Rated the state's 66th-best player by Scout.com ... No. 95 on the Lone Star Recruiting Texas Top 100 list ... 3-star recruit from both Rivals.com and Scout.com ... *Houston Chronicle* Area Top 100 selection ... *Port Arthur News* Super Gold Team member ... 2007 *Texas Football* magazine Texas Top 300 selection ... As a senior, tallied 55 tackles, one tackle for loss, one interception, 13 pass breakups and two fumble recoveries ... Also had a school-record long kickoff return TD ... Helped coach Craig Stump's team to an 11-1 record and the 2007 District 21-5A title ... As a junior, totaled 65 tackles, four interceptions, 13 pass breakups and two blocked kicks for a 9-4 squad ... Also a track standout ... Selected Baylor in June 2007 over Florida, Houston, Iowa, Texas A&M, Utah and Boise State ... Received Algebra II and chemistry academic awards ... The son of Michael Williams and Angela Williams, Michael A. Williams was born May 31, 1990, in Beaumont, Texas.

Briles on Michael Williams: "Michael is extremely fast and a very talented, genuine individual who will be a great ambassador for Baylor University and our football program. He's going to come in here and have a chance to play immediately."

TERRANCE WILLIAMS

WR • 6-3 • 190 • FR-HS • DALLAS, TEXAS (W.T. WHITE)

Ranked 78th on *The Dallas Morning News'* Area Top 100 list, **Terrance Williams** earned first-team District 11-5A honors as both a wide receiver and a defensive back as a senior at Dallas' W.T. White High School ... Honorable mention 2007 Class 5A all-state selection as a wide receiver by the Texas Sports Writers Association ... Caught 59 passes for 972 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior ... Received first-team District 11-5A honors after a junior season in which he caught 30 balls for 615 yards and five touchdowns ... Played for coach Joel Evans at the District 11-5A school ... Also a member of the Longhorns' basketball team ... Drew recruiting interest from Oklahoma, Texas A&M, Colorado State, Kansas and Kansas State ... Terrance Williams was born Sept. 18, 1989.

Briles on Terrance Williams: "Terrance is another big, strong receiver who is a great kid with great instincts. He has a good, tough mind. We believe he has a great upside and will really flourish once he has the opportunity to specialize."

KENDALL WRIGHT

ATH • 6-0 • 180 • FR-HS • PITTSBURG, TEXAS (PITTSBURG)

Three-sport standout athlete **Kendall Wright** earned all-state honors in football, basketball and track at Pittsburg [Texas] High School ... 3-star Rivals.com and Scout.com recruit is projected to play inside receiver for the Bears ... No. 47 on the *SuperPrep's* Texas 110 list ... Ranked 81st on *The Dallas Morning News'* State Top 100 list, Wright also was among the top 50 recruits on the *Waco Tribune-Herald's* Top 100 list ... Also listed on both the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram's* and *Houston Chronicle's* Texas Top 100 ... Ranked 35th on the *San Antonio Express-News* Texas Top 100 ... No. 48 on the *Austin American-Statesman's* Fab 55 list ... Rated the nation's 64th-best athlete by Rivals.com and is listed 67th by Scout.com ... Listed among the state's Top 20 receivers on *Texas Football* magazine's Texas Top 300 ... 2007 second-team Class 3A all-state cornerback selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association and honorable mention by The Associated Press after registering 33 tackles, five interceptions, four fumble recoveries and a pair of defensive touchdowns ... *Tyler Morning Telegram* first-team All-East Texas selection as a utility player after leading Pittsburg to its first playoff win in some 20 years as a senior ... Also earned first-team 2007 All-East Texas honors from the *Longview News Journal* as a cornerback ... As the Pirates' quarterback in 2007, rushed for 1,069 yards and 15 touchdowns while throwing for 1,170 yards and nine scores ... In both 2006 and 2007, was a second-team All-District 16-3A performer as both a quarterback and cornerback ... As a junior, accounted for 26 total touchdowns and passed for 850 yards ... Produced a quadruple-double on the basketball court as a senior and averaged 24.5 points, six rebounds, five assists and five steals per game en route to 2007 East Texas Player of the Year honors from the *Tyler Morning Telegram* ... Three-time member of *Tyler Morning Telegram* All-East Texas Team ... All-state basketball selection as a junior ... 2007 Texas Class 3A state long jump (24-0 3/4) and triple jump (48-5 1/4) champion ... Captured 2008 Class 3A gold medal in the triple jump with a meet record leap of 50-8 3/4 and placed fifth in the 3A 100 meters (11.00) ... The son of Kelvin McCain and Tameika Wright, Kendall Wright was born on Nov. 12, 1989, in Mount Pleasant, Texas ... Named to Pittsburg's A-B Honor Roll ... Has served as a youth basketball coach in the Pittsburg community ... Owns 40-inch vertical jump ... Selected Baylor over Texas, Florida, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Arkansas and Clemson.

Briles on Wright: "Kendall is an impact person and player. He's a guy that you devise schemes to get him the ball because he's a dynamic player. We are excited that he's a Baylor Bear."

2007 BAYLOR FOOTBALL HONORS

JORDAN ADAMS, IR
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12

JOSH BELL, CB
Baylor's Best Defensive Skill Player

ANTAREIS BRYAN, CB
All-Big 12 Freshman Team — *Sporting News*

DOMINIQUE CRISS, CB
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12

DEREK EPPERSON, P
Honorable Mention Freshman All-America — *Sporting News*
All-Big 12 Freshman Team — *Sporting News*

CHRIS FRANCIS, LB
All-Big 12 Freshman Team — *Sporting News*

BEN HIXSON, LB
First-Team Academic All-Big 12 (Third straight year)

DAN GAY, OL
Honorable Mention All-Big 12 — Coaches
Second-Team All-Texas — *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football Magazine*
Baylor's Most Improved Offensive Player

DESMOND JENKINS, ROV
National Football Foundation Hampshire Honor Society
First-Team Academic All-Big 12

ANDREW JUDY, DE
Scout Team MVP (Defense)

JORDAN LAKE, FS
Co-Baylor Team MVP
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12
Texas College Defensive Player of the Year — *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football Magazine*
Texas College Best Defensive Back — *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football Magazine*
First-Team All-Big 12 — *Phil Steele's Magazine*
Second-Team All-Big 12 — Coaches, Associated Press, *Dallas Morning News, Austin American-Statesman, Waco Tribune-Herald*
First-Team All-Texas — *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football Magazine*
Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week — Sept. 24 (For Buffalo game)

JAKE LAMAR, ROV
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12
Honorable Mention All-Big 12 — Coaches, *Phil Steele's Magazine*
Baylor's Most Improved Defensive Player

JASON LAMB, DE
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12
Honorable Mention All-Big 12 — Coaches
Baylor's Best Defensive Lineman (Co-Winner)

MICHAEL MACHEN, QB
National Football Foundation Hampshire Honor Society
First-Team Academic All-Big 12

MIKE MILLER, C
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12

NICK MOORE, LB
Kyle Woods Award

EARL PATIN, LB
All-Big 12 Freshman Team — *Sporting News*

JOE PAWELEK, LB
Baylor Team Tri-Captain
Co-Baylor Team MVP
Baylor Football Team Academic Award (Second straight year)
First-Team E*SPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VI
First-Team Academic All-Big 12 (Second straight year)
Big 12 Good Works Team
Second-Team All-Big 12 — Associated Press, *Austin American-Statesman, Waco Tribune-Herald; Phil Steele's Magazine*
Honorable Mention All-Big 12 — Coaches
Second-Team All-Texas — *Dave Campbell's Winter 2008 Texas Football Magazine*
*Football Writers Association of America Preseason All-America Checklist

VINCENT RHODES, DT
Baylor's Best Defensive Lineman (Co-Winner)

RYAN ROBERTS, QB
Scout Team MVP (Offense)

RALPH RODRIGUEZ, FS
National Football Foundation Hampshire Honor Society
First-Team Academic All-Big 12 (Second straight year)

JASON SMITH, OT
Baylor's Best Offensive Lineman (Co-Winner)
Honorable Mention All-Big 12 — Associated Press

BLAKE SZYMANSKI, QB
Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week — Sept. 10 (For Rice game)

TED TANNER, OL
First-Team Academic All-Big 12

J.D. WALTON, C
Baylor's Best Offensive Lineman (Co-Winner)

JONATHAN WEEKS, DS
Baylor Team Tri-Captain

BRANDON WHITAKER, RB
Baylor Team Tri-Captain
Honorable Mention All-Big 12 — Coaches

THOMAS WHITE, IR
Baylor's Best Offensive Skill Player

ALTON WIDEMON, CB
Second-Team Academic All-Big 12

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Overall: *3-9,* ***Home:*** *2-4,* ***Road:*** *1-5,* ***Big 12:*** *0-8*

Date	Opponent	Score	W-L	Attend
Sept. 1	at TCU (#22)	0-27	L	35,606
Sept. 8	RICE	42-17	W	29,107
Sept. 15	TEXAS STATE	34-27	W	36,274
Sept. 22	at Buffalo	34-21	W	22,676
Sept. 29	* at Texas A&M	10-34	L	82,970
Oct. 6	* COLORADO	23-43	L	32,376
Oct. 13	* at Kansas (#20)	10-58	L	43,556
Oct. 20	* TEXAS (#19)	10-31	L	41,335
Oct. 27	* at Kansas State	13-51	L	45,959
Nov. 3	* TEXAS TECH	7-38	L	39,015
Nov. 10	* at Oklahoma (#4)	21-52	L	84,450
Nov. 17	* OKLAHOMA STATE	14-45	L	28,159

**-Big 12 game.*

TEAM STATISTICS	BU	OPP
SCORING	**218**	**444**
Points Per Game	18.2	37.0
FIRST DOWNS	**222**	**286**
Rushing	55	128
Passing	150	148
Penalty	17	10
RUSHING YARDAGE	**934**	**2188**
Yards gained rushing	1254	2421
Yards lost rushing	320	233
Rushing Attempts	298	498
Average Per Rush	3.1	4.4
Average Per Game	77.8	182.3
Touchdowns Rushing	5	29
PASSING YARDAGE	**3281**	**3351**
Att-Comp-Int	561-309-27	432-280-10
Average Per Pass	5.8	7.8
Average Per Catch	10.6	12.0
Average Per Game	273.4	279.2
Touchdowns Passing	23	21
TOTAL OFFENSE	**4215**	**5539**
Total Plays	859	930
Average Per Play	4.9	6.0
Average Per Game	351.2	461.6
KICK RETURNS: NO.-YARDS	**60-1132**	**40-846**
Average Per Return	18.9	21.1
Touchdowns	1	2
PUNT RETURNS: NO.-YARDS	**25-203**	**31-505**
Average Per Return	8.1	16.3
Touchdowns	0	1
INT RETURNS: NO.-YARDS	**10-160**	**27-395**
Average Per Return	16.0	14.6
Touchdowns	0	1
FUMBLES-LOST	**25-10**	**18-9**
PENALTIES-YARDS	**70-531**	**82-694**
Average Per Game	44.2	57.8
PUNTS-YARDS	**73-2825**	**52-2195**
Average Per Punt	38.7	42.2
Net Punt Average	31.0	35.6
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	**27:05**	**32:55**
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	**66/185**	**66/180**
Third-Down Percentage	.357	.367
FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	**6/20**	**14/24**
Fourth-Down Percentage	.300	.583
SACKS BY-YARDS	**21-125**	**21-179**
MISCL. YARDS	**0**	**0**
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	**29**	**54**
PAT-ATTEMPTS	**26-29**	**54-54**
TWO-POINT CONVERSIONS-ATTEMPTS	**0-0**	**0-0**
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	**6-14**	**22-36**
RED-ZONE SCORES/PERCENTAGE	**22-39/.564**	**52-66/.788**
Touchdowns Scored In Red Zone	18	35
Field Goals Scored In Red Zone	4	17
ATTENDANCE	**206,266**	**315,217**
Games/Average Per Game	6/34,378	6/52,536

Score By Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Baylor	**51**	**64**	**52**	**51**	**0**	**218**
Opponents	**78**	**134**	**113**	**119**	**0**	**444**

ALL-PURPOSE	G	Rsh	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Gettis, David	12	0	407	0	763	0	1170	97.5
Whitaker, Brandon	12	488	425	0	0	0	913	76.1
White, Thomas	9	17	475	0	63	0	555	61.7
Taylor, Brad	11	0	465	0	0	0	465	42.3
Akers, Justin	12	0	426	0	0	0	426	35.5
Finley, Jay	12	207	152	0	0	0	359	29.9
Buerck, Krys	10	6	280	17	12	0	315	31.5
Jones, Jacoby	7	192	63	0	0	0	255	36.4
Smith, Ernest	12	0	247	0	0	0	247	20.6
Baker, Mikail	2	0	87	0	103	0	190	95.0
Bennett, Joe	8	0	18	162	2	0	182	22.8
McElroy, V.J.	10	0	0	24	138	0	162	16.2
Fenty, Justin	11	5	154	0	0	0	159	14.5
Szymanski, Blake	11	98	0	0	0	0	98	8.9
Newton, Eddy	7	0	37	0	0	0	37	5.3
Widemon, Alton	12	0	0	0	13	20	33	2.8
Bryan, Antareis	10	0	0	0	0	32	32	3.2
La Mar, Jake	12	0	0	0	0	27	27	2.2
Lake, Jordan	12	0	0	0	0	26	26	2.2
Stiggers, Brandon	10	0	0	0	0	23	23	2.3
Patin, Earl	12	0	0	0	22	0	22	1.8
Mitchell, Kyle	5	0	19	0	0	0	19	3.8
Pawelek, Joe	12	0	0	0	0	17	17	1.4
Weed, John	3	17	0	0	0	0	17	5.7
Vann, Keegan	10	0	14	0	0	0	14	1.4
Moore, Nick	12	0	0	0	0	13	13	1.1
Hixson, Ben	12	0	0	0	10	0	10	0.8
Francis, Chris	11	0	0	0	6	2	8	0.7
Allen, Caleb	12	6	0	0	0	0	6	0.5
La Mar, Luke	7	-10	12	0	0	0	2	0.3
Beatty, Tyler	3	-8	0	0	0	0	-8	-2.7
Epperson, Derek	12	-9	0	0	0	0	-9	-0.8
Roberts, Ryan	2	-9	0	0	0	0	-9	-4.5
Machen, Michael	3	-33	0	0	0	0	-33	-11.0
TEAM	12	-33	0	0	0	0	-33	-4.1
Baylor	**12**	**934**	**3281**	**203**	**1132**	**160**	**5710**	**475.8**
Opponents	**12**	**2188**	**3351**	**505**	**846**	**395**	**7285**	**607.1**

PASSING	G-GS	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/G
Szymanski, Blake	11-10	117.03	264-461-18	57.3	2844	22	75	258.5
Machen, Michael	3-2	82.09	30-59-6	50.8	323	1	43	107.7
Beatty, Tyler	3-0	20.96	5-18-2	27.8	33	0	11	11.0
Weed, John	3-0	59.07	7-16-1	43.8	53	0	14	17.7
Roberts, Ryan	2-0	76.46	3-7-0	42.9	28	0	15	14.0
Baylor	**12-12**	**108.11**	**309-561-27**	**55.1**	**3281**	**23**	**75**	**273.4**
Opponents	**12-12**	**141.39**	**280-432-10**	**64.8**	**3351**	**21**	**65**	**279.2**

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RUSHING	G-GS	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	LG	Avg/G
Whitaker, Brandon	12-10	102	533	45	488	4.8	2	57	40.7
Finley, Jay	12-1	55	223	16	207	3.8	2	14	17.2
Jones, Jacoby	7-2	49	201	9	192	3.9	0	12	27.4
Szymanski, Blake	11-10	61	240	142	98	1.6	1	39	8.9
Weed, John	3-0	7	20	3	17	2.4	0	7	5.7
White, Thomas	9-1	3	17	0	17	5.7	0	8	1.9
Buerck, Krys	10-6	2	6	0	6	3.0	0	6	0.6
Allen, Caleb	12-0	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	0.5
Fenty, Justin	11-2	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.5
Beatty, Tyler	3-0	1	0	8	-8	-8.0	0	0	-2.7
Epperson, Derek	12-0	1	0	9	-9	-9.0	0	0	-0.8
Roberts,Ryan	2-0	3	1	10	-9	-3.0	0	1	-4.5
La Mar, Luke	7-0	1	0	10	-10	-10.0	0	0	-1.4
TEAM	12-12	5	0	33	-33	-6.6	0	0	-4.1
Machen, Michael	3-2	6	2	35	-33	-5.5	0	2	-11.0
Baylor	**12-12**	**298**	**1254**	**320**	**934**	**3.1**	**5**	**57**	**77.8**
Opponents	**12-12**	**498**	**2421**	**233**	**2188**	**4.4**	**29**	**29**	**182.3**

RECEIVING	G-GS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LG	Avg/G
Whitaker, Brandon	12-10	58	425	7.3	3	62	35.4
Akers, Justin	12-10	43	426	9.9	4	24	35.5
Taylor, Brad	11-6	35	465	13.3	2	37	42.3
White, Thomas	9-1	34	475	14.0	8	75	52.8
Gettis, David	12-8	31	407	13.1	0	69	33.9
Buerck, Krys	10-6	23	280	12.2	2	44	28.0
Smith, Ernest	12-7	21	247	11.8	1	37	20.6
Fenty, Justin	11-2	18	154	8.6	0	27	14.0
Finley, Jay	12-1	18	152	8.4	1	24	12.7
Jones, Jacoby	7-2	12	63	5.2	1	10	9.0
Baker, Mikail	2-2	6	87	14.5	0	37	43.5
Newton, Eddy	7-0	3	37	12.3	0	17	5.3
Mitchell, Kyle	5-0	3	19	6.3	0	8	3.8
La Mar, Luke	7-0	2	12	6.0	0	11	1.7
Bennett, Joe	8-0	1	18	18.0	0	18	2.2
Vann, Keegan	10-3	1	14	14.0	1	14	1.4
Baylor	**12-12**	**309**	**3281**	**10.6**	**23**	**75**	**273.4**
Opponents	**12-12**	**280**	**3351**	**12.0**	**21**	**65**	**279.2**

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Szymanski, Blake	11	522	98	2844	2942	267.5
Whitaker, Brandon	12	102	488	0	488	40.7
Machen, Michael	3	65	-33	323	290	96.7
Finley, Jay	12	55	207	0	207	17.2
Jones, Jacoby	7	49	192	0	192	27.4
Weed,John	3	23	17	53	70	23.3
Beatty, Tyler	3	19	-8	33	25	8.3
Roberts,Ryan	2	10	-9	28	19	9.5
White, Thomas	9	3	17	0	17	1.9
Allen, Caleb	12	1	6	0	6	0.5
Buerck, Krys	10	2	6	0	6	0.6
Fenty, Justin	11	1	5	0	5	0.5
Epperson, Derek	12	1	-9	0	-9	-0.8
La Mar, Luke	7	1	-10	0	-10	-1.4
TEAM	12	5	-33	0	-33	-4.1
Baylor	**12**	**859**	**934**	**3281**	**4215**	**351.2**
Opponents	**12**	**930**	**2188**	**3351**	**5539**	**461.6**

FIELD GOAL SEQUENCE

Versus	BAYLOR	OPPONENTS
at TCU	*20, *35	29, (27), (34)
Rice	*45	38, (44)
Texas State	-	(46), (36)
at Buffalo	(*43), (*39), *49	45, 46
at Texas A&M	(^46)	47, (28), 34, (23), 37
Colorado	(*26)	36, (41), (44), (54), (42), (30)
at Kansas	(^25)	(27), (34), (35)
Texas	^50, (^35)	(46), 46
at Kansas State	^35	45, (34), (34), 33, (33)
Texas Tech	-	32, (23), 37
at Oklahoma	^38	(27)
Oklahoma State	*42	42, (27)

Note: *Numbers in () indicate field goal was made; *-Brewster FG Att.; ^-Allen FG Att.*

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg	Blk
Brewster, Shea	3-8	37.5	0-0	1-2	1-2	1-4	0-0	43	0
Allen, Caleb	3-6	50.0	0-0	1-1	1-3	1-1	0-1	46	0
Baylor	**6-14**	**42.9**	**0-0**	**2-3**	**2-5**	**2-5**	**0-1**	**46**	**0**
Opponents	**22-36**	**61.1**	**0-0**	**7-8**	**8-15**	**6-12**	**1-1**	**54**	**0**

			PATs					
SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	Saf	DXP	TP
White, Thomas	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	48
Whitaker, Brandon	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Brewster, Shea	0	3-8	17-19	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	26
Akers, Justin	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Finley, Jay	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Allen, Caleb	0	3-6	9-10	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Taylor, Brad	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Buerck, Krys	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Szymanski, Blake	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Vann, Keegan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Gettis, David	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jones, Jacoby	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Smith, Ernest	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Baylor	**29**	**6-14**	**26-29**	**0-0**	**0**	**0-0**	**0**	**0**	**218**
Opponents	**54**	**22-36**	**54-54**	**0-0**	**0**	**0-0**	**0**	**0**	**444**

PUNTING	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Epperson, Derek	66	2579	39.1	63	3	17	12	0
Allen, Caleb	7	246	35.1	44	0	2	3	0
Baylor	**73**	**2825**	**38.7**	**63**	**3**	**19**	**15**	**0**
Opponents	**52**	**2195**	**42.2**	**60**	**7**	**7**	**16**	**0**

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
Allen, Caleb	47	2662	56.6	2	1
Baylor	**47**	**2662**	**56.6**	**2**	**1**
Opponents	**85**	**5290**	**62.2**	**22**	**4**

PUNT RETURNS	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Bennett, Joe	19	162	8.5	0	43
McElroy, V.J.	3	24	8.0	0	16
Buerck, Krys	3	17	5.7	0	13
Baylor	**25**	**203**	**8.1**	**0**	**43**
Opponents	**31**	**505**	**16.3**	**1**	**92**

KICKOFF RETURNS	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Gettis, David	34	763	22.4	1	97
McElroy, V.J.	9	138	15.3	0	22
White, Thomas	4	63	15.8	0	21
Baker, Mikail	4	103	25.8	0	39
Hixson, Ben	2	10	5.0	0	7
Patin, Earl	2	22	11.0	0	17
Francis, Chris	1	6	6.0	0	6
Widemon, Alton	1	13	13.0	0	13
Bennett, Joe	1	2	2.0	0	2
Buerck, Krys	1	12	12.0	0	12
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0
Baylor	**60**	**1132**	**18.9**	**1**	**97**
Opponents	**40**	**846**	**21.1**	**2**	**91**

INTERCEPTIONS	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Stiggers, Brandon	2	23	11.5	0	23
Lake, Jordan	2	26	13.0	0	28
Moore, Nick	1	13	13.0	0	13
La Mar, Jake	1	27	27.0	0	27
Widemon, Alton	1	20	20.0	0	17
Bryan, Antareis	1	32	32.0	0	32
Francis, Chris	1	2	2.0	0	2
Pawelek, Joe	1	17	17.0	0	17
Baylor	**10**	**160**	**16.0**	**0**	**32**
Opponents	**27**	**395**	**14.6**	**1**	**91**

FUMBLE RETURNS	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Stiggers, Brandon	1	60	60.0	0	60
Baylor	**1**	**60**	**60.0**	**0**	**60**
Opponents	**0**	**0**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**

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		Tackles			Sacks		Pass Def			Fumbles		Blkd	
DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	UT	AT	Total	For Loss	No-Yards	Int-Yds	PBU	QBH	Rcvd	Forc	Kick	Saf
Lake, Jordan	12	67	53	120	1.0-1	.	2-26	6	.	2-0	2	.	.
Pawelek, Joe	12	40	59	99	8.0-25	2.0-12	1-17	2	1	2-0	3	.	.
Moore, Nick	12	34	39	73	5.5-21	1.0-11	1-13	5	4	.	1	.	.
La Mar, Jake	12	33	34	67	5.5-28	3.0-24	1-27	2	1	.	.	.	.
Bell, Josh	12	42	19	61	2.5-7	.	.	10	.	.	.	.	.
Lamb, Jason	12	19	34	53	7.0-37	5.0-29	.	1	6	1-0	1	.	.
Stiggers, Brandon	10	28	23	51	7.0-22	.	2-23	2	1	2-60	1	.	.
Crawford, Dwain	9	25	23	48	.	.	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
Widemon, Alton	12	28	11	39	1.0-4	.	1-20	6	.	.	.	.	.
Williams, Jeremy	11	25	13	38	5.5-23	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Rhodes, Vincent	12	14	24	38	4.0-16	3.5-15	.	1	3	.	.	.	.
Freeman, Leon	12	21	17	38	9.5-39	3.0-20	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
Patin, Earl	12	15	14	29	1.0-6	1.0-6	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
Bryant, Trey	12	15	13	28	2.0-3	.	.	1	4	.	1	.	.
Jones, Antonio	8	8	14	22	0.5-0	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Francis, Chris	11	8	11	19	.	.	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.
Price, Marlon	12	9	9	18	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
Bryan, Antareis	10	10	7	17	1.0-2	.	1-32	.	.	.	.	.	.
Johnson, Antonio	11	6	10	16	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
Redfearn, Connor	12	7	9	16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Taylor, Damien	9	5	8	13	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
Nelson, Geoff	10	4	9	13	2.5-8	1.5-5	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
Jones, Zach	12	5	7	12	2.0-7	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Odom, Cliff	12	7	5	12	2.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Criss, Dominique	11	6	4	10	1.0-1	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
Rodriguez, Ralph	12	3	5	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Atchison, Tim	12	6	1	7	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Allen, Caleb	12	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Walters, Raylon	12	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Sims, Ray	11	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Hixson, Ben	12	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Hardeman, Jameon	9	2	2	4	2.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Gettis, David	12	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
McDougald, Rex	11	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Buford, Chris	12	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
White, Thomas	9	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Gay, Dan	12	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Akers, Justin	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Jones, Jacoby	7	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Buerck, Krys	10	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Finley, Jay	12	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Epperson, Derek	12	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Geib, Adam	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Bennett, Joe	8	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Kushneir, Alex	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Smith, Jason	7	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Smith, Chad	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Weeks, Jonathan	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Findley, Ty	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Washington, Larry	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Jenkins, Desmond	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Newton, Eddy	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Szymanski, Blake	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
McElroy, V.J.	10	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Smith, Ernest	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Taylor, Brad	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Whitaker, Brandon	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Walton, J.D.	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Baylor	**12**	**526**	**510**	**1036**	**71-260**	**21-125**	**10-160**	**44**	**30**	**9-60**	**10**	**.**	**.**
Opponents	**12**	**416**	**422**	**838**	**71.0-307**	**21-179**	**27-395**	**59**	**26**	**9-0**	**16**	**.**	**.**

2007 BAYLOR GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

Game	Score	First Downs Tot	Rushing Ru-Pa-Pe	Passing No-Yds-TD	Total Off. C-A-I	Yds	TD	Punts Pl-Yds	Fum. No-Avg	Penalties F-L	3rd No-Yds	Time of Downs	Poss
Baylor	**0**	**16**	**4-12-0**	**25-51-0**	**26-55-4**	**231**	**0**	**80-282**	**9-36.9**	**3-0**	**5-45**	**7-20**	**27:52**
@ TCU	27	16	6-10-0	45-181-2	18-30-0	205	1	75-386	7-44.3	4-2	8-55	3-15	32:08
@ Baylor	**42**	**27**	**9-19-2**	**26-98-0**	**30-51-0**	**423**	**6**	**77-521**	**3-29.7**	**3-1**	**4-30**	**10-16**	**27:12**
Rice	17	21	11-9-1	38-110-2	23-30-1	239	0	68-349	6-47.0	0-0	6-40	5-14	32:48
@ Baylor	**34**	**20**	**1-19-0**	**19-28-0**	**31-51-2**	**411**	**5**	**70-439**	**7-42.4**	**0-0**	**7-54**	**6-14**	**24:06**
Texas State	27	24	7-17-0	34-84-1	31-56-0	334	2	90-418	9-40.6	1-1	5-25	7-20	35:54
Baylor	**34**	**24**	**11-11-2**	**42-229-1**	**21-45-1**	**172**	**3**	**87-401**	**4-37.8**	**4-1**	**6-50**	**6-17**	**32:34**
@ Buffalo	21	18	7-11-0	27-87-2	29-46-3	276	1	73-363	5-44.2	2-2	10-81	4-15	27:26
Baylor	**10**	**7**	**1-6-0**	**16-60-1**	**12-26-2**	**194**	**0**	**52-254**	**8-40.3**	**1-1**	**5-54**	**3-13**	**16:42**
@ Texas A&M	34	31	24-5-2	65-352-3	16-29-1	200	1	94-552	3-48.3	2-0	6-40	11-19	43:18
@ Baylor	**23**	**24**	**3-19-2**	**18-55-2**	**36-60-2**	**410**	**1**	**78-465**	**5-32.8**	**2-1**	**10-71**	**6-15**	**26:55**
Colorado	43	18	6-12-0	42-157-2	17-27-1	293	2	69-450	2-49.0	1-1	11-105	5-15	33:05
Baylor	**10**	**10**	**3-6-1**	**19-48-0**	**22-43--4**	**154**	**0**	**62-202**	**7-38.1**	**2-1**	**5-35**	**2-14**	**26:09**
@ Kansas	58	26	14-11-1	50-236-4	18-37-0	211	2	87-447	7-32.6	0-0	2-25	6-18	33:51
@ Baylor	**10**	**19**	**4-13-2**	**18-8-0**	**32-56-4**	**284**	**1**	**74-292**	**5-37.6**	**0-0**	**2-9**	**6-17**	**26:20**
Texas	31	27	13-13-1	46-177-2	25-36-2	293	1	82-470	3-31.3	3-1	7-70	7-15	33:40
Baylor	**51**	**15**	**2-12-1**	**26-13-0**	**20-35-3**	**318**	**2**	**61-318**	**7-40.3**	**4-4**	**9-103**	**2-12**	**25:39**
@ Kansas State	13	23	12-10-1	46-208-2	23-36-1	255	3	82-463	4-43.2	3-1	8-80	5-17	34:21
@ Baylor	**7**	**21**	**8-11-2**	**35-91-0**	**25-47-1**	**191**	**1**	**82-282**	**8-42.2**	**2-1**	**7-55**	**9-21**	**32:46**
Texas Tech	38	29	2-26-1	17-73-2	44-59-0	490	3	76-563	3-51.7	1-1	3-155	4-11	27:14
Baylor	**21**	**20**	**5-12-3**	**26-170-1**	**25-42-2**	**280**	**2**	**68-450**	**5-38.2**	**2-0**	**8-49**	**6-13**	**30:25**
@ Oklahoma	52	24	7-14-3	37-180-3	20-25-1	353	3	62-533	2-39.5	1-0	6-45	5-11	29:35
@ Baylor	**14**	**19**	**7-10-2**	**28-83-0**	**29-40-2**	**226**	**2**	**68-309**	**5-40.8**	**2-0**	**2-9**	**3-13**	**28:23**
Oklahoma State	45	29	19-10-0	51-343-4	16-21-0	202	2	72-545	2-48.5	0-0	6-69	4-10	31:37

2007 BAYLOR STARTING LINEUPS

OFFENSE

	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	IR	IR	WR	QB	TB
at TCU	Baker	J. Smith	Gay	Walton	Barnard	Hearvey	Akers	Vann (FB)	E. Smith	Szymanski	Whitaker
Rice	Baker	Gay	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Hearvey	Akers	B. Taylor	E. Smith	Szymanski	Whitaker
Texas State	Buerck	Gay	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Hearvey	Akers	Fenty	E. Smith	Szymanski	Whitaker
at Buffalo	Buerck	Gay	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Hearvey	Akers	Vann (FB)	E. Smith	Szymanski	Finley
at Texas A&M	Buerck	J. Smith	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	Fenty	Gettis	Szymanski	Whitaker
Colorado	Buerck	J. Smith	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	B. Taylor	Gettis	Szymanski	Whitaker
at Kansas	Buerck	Gay	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Hearvey	Akers	B. Taylor	Gettis	Szymanski	Whitaker
Texas	Vann (FB)	Gay	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Hearvey	Akers	B. Taylor	Gettis	Machen	Whitaker
at Kansas State	Buerck	J. Smith	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	B. Taylor	Gettis	Machen	Whitaker
Texas Tech	E. Smith	J. Smith	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	Vann (FB)	Gettis	Szymanski	J. Jones
at Oklahoma	E. Smith	J. Smith	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Gay	J. Jones (FB)	B. Taylor	Gettis	Szymanski	Whitaker
Oklahoma State	E. Smith	J. Smith	C. Smith	Walton	Barnard	Gay	White	Washington (FB)	Gettis	Szymanski	Whitaker

DEFENSE

	LE	DT	NT	RE	LB	LB	CB	SS	ROV	FS	CB
at TCU	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	J. Williams	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
Rice	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	J. Williams	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
Texas State	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
at Buffalo	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Taylor	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
at Texas A&M	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
Colorado	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
at Kansas	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
Texas	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
at Kansas State	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	Crawford	Lake	Widemon
Texas Tech	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Price (S)	Pawelek	Bell	Stiggers	La Mar	Lake	Widemon
at Oklahoma	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Nelson	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Williams	La Mar	Lake	Widemon
Oklahoma State	Lamb	Rhodes	Bryant	Freeman	Moore	Pawelek	Bell	Williams	La Mar	Lake	Widemon

2007 BAYLOR INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

GAME-BY-GAME RUSHING

Att-Yds-TD	#12 Beatty	#32 Finley	#25 J. Jones	#7 Machen	#8 Roberts	#6 Szymanski	#20 Whitaker	#3 White
at TCU	0-0-0	0-0-0	7-19-0	DNP	DNP	6-5-0	12-27-0	DNP
Rice	1-(-8)-0	5-28-0	8-26-9	DNP	DNP	3-10-0	8-34-0	1-8-0
Texas State	DNP	8-22-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	4-(-8)-0	4-16-0	DNP
at Buffalo	DNP	15-80-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	11-91-1	11-57-0	DNP
at Texas A&M	DNP	6-19-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	4-15-0	6-26-0	0-0-0
Colorado	DNP	3-11-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	4-18-0	11-26-1	0-0-0
at Kansas	0-0-0	3-1-0	DNP	DNP	2-(-10)-0	2-3-0	12-54-0	0-0-0
Texas	DNP	8-23-0	DNP	3-(-6)-0	DNP	DNP	4-11-0	0-0-0
at Kansas State	DNP	2-7-0	6-28-0	3-(-27)-0	DNP	7-(-3)-0	5-4-0	0-0-0
Texas Tech	DNP	0-0-0	21-83-0	DNP	1-1-0	7-(-7)-0	3-5-0	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	DNP	5-16-0	1-1-0	DNP	DNP	4-(-3)-0	15-149-1	1-7-0
Oklahoma State	DNP	0-0-0	6-35-0	DNP	DNP	9-(-23)-0	11-79-0	1-2-0

GAME-BY-GAME RECEIVING

Att-Yds-TD	#82 Akers	#3 Baker	#19 Bennett	#83 Buerck	#23 Fenty	#32 Finley	#4 Gettis	#25 J. Jones
at TCU	3-36-0	4-47-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	5-35-0	0-0-0	2-5-0	0-0-0
Rice	2-25-2	2-40-0	0-0-0	2-57-0	1-11-0	0-0-0	3-48-0	0-0-0
Texas State	7-95-0	DNP	0-0-0	6-76-1	3-53-0	4-45-1	2-16-0	1-10-0
at Buffalo	7-74-1	DNP	0-0-0	2-20-1	3-15-0	3-21-0	0-0-0	DNP
at Texas A&M	2-19-0	DNP	1-18-0	2-27-0	0-0-0	1-8-0	2-88-0	DNP
Colorado	2-29-1	DNP	0-0-0	3-15-0	0-0-0	3-17-0	8-99-0	DNP
at Kansas	3-43-0	DNP	0-0-0	3-26-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-15-0	DNP
Texas	9-77-0	DNP	0-0-0	2-18-0	3-23-0	2-5-0	4-73-0	DNP
at Kansas State	1-(-1)-0	DNP	DNP	3-41-0	DNP	2-31-0	1-12-0	2-5-0
Texas Tech	4-22-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	2-17-0	1-9-0	6-36-0
at Oklahoma	2-5-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-12-0	0-0-0	4-30-0	2-8-0
Oklahoma State	1-2-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	1-5-0	1-8-0	1-12-0	1-4-0

Att-Yds-TD	#11 La Mar	#81 Mitchell	#15 Newton	#13 E. Smith	#18 Taylor	#2 Whitaker	#3 White
at TCU	DNP	2-11-0	0-0-0	4-38-0	3-51-0	3-8-0	DNP
Rice	1-11-0	1-8-0	1-7-0	3-65-1	5-74-1	6-27-1	3-50-1
Texas State	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-17-0	5-85-1	0-0-0	DNP
at Buffalo	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-13-0	2-14-0	DNP	2-14-1	DNP
at Texas A&M	DNP	DNP	1-17-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-5-0
Colorado	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	5-61-0	11-166-0	4-23-0
at Kansas	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	1-10-0	5-15-0	7-45-0	0-0-0
Texas	DNP	DNP	DNP	3-28-0	0-0-0	5-24-0	4-36-1
at Kansas State	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-25-0	4-71-0	1-3-0	4-118-2
Texas Tech	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	3-43-0	2-6-1	7-58-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	3-40-0	0-0-0	10-68-0	2-117-2
Oklahoma State	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	1-10-0	5-65-0	9-52-0	9-68-2

GAME-BY-GAME PASSING

C-A-Int-Yds-TD	#12 Beatty	#7 Machen	#8 Roberts	#6 Szymanski	#17 Weed
at TCU	3-8-1-15-0	DNP	DNP	23-47-3-216-0	DNP
Rice	1-5-0-11-0	DNP	DNP	29-46-0-412-6	DNP
Texas State	DNP	DNP	DNP	31-51-2-411-5	DNP
at Buffalo	DNP	DNP	DNP	21-45-1-172-3	DNP
at Texas A&M	DNP	0-0-1-0-0	DNP	12-35-1-194-0	DNP
Colorado	DNP	DNP	DNP	36-60-2-410-1	DNP
at Kansas	1-5-1-7-0	DNP	3-5-0-28-0	18-33-3-119-0	DNP
Texas	DNP	25-44-3-231-1	DNP	DNP	7-12-1-53-0
at Kansas State	DNP	5-14-2-92-0	DNP	15-21-1-213-2	0-0-0-0-0
Texas Tech	DNP	DNP	0-2-0-0-0	25-41-1-191-1	0-4-0-0-0
at Oklahoma	DNP	DNP	DNP	25-42-2-280-2	DNP
Oklahoma State	DNP	DNP	DNP	29-40-2-226-2	DNP

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GAME-BY-GAME TACKLES (DEFENSIVE LINEMEN)

Solo+Asst=Total	#97 Bryant	#49 Freeman	#10 Hardeman	#88 Lamb	#57 Nelson	#92 Redfearn	#91 Rhodes	#95 Taylor
at TCU	1+0=1	4+0=4	0+0=0	4+3=7	0+1=1	0+0=0	3+3=6	1+1=2
Rice	1+0=1	1+1=2	1+2=3	1+4=5	0+1=1	0+0=0	2+1=3	0+0=0
Texas State	0+2=2	0+2=2	0+0=0	3+3=6	3+0=3	1+0=1	0+4=4	1+0=1
at Buffalo	2+0=2	0+2=2	1+0=1	0+2=2	DNP	0+1=1	1+1=2	2+1=3
at Texas A&M	1+1=2	2+3=5	0+0=0	0+6=6	0+2=2	1+2=3	1+3=4	0+3=3
Colorado	0+2=2	2+1=3	DNP	0+2=2	1+3=4	0+2=2	1+2=3	1+0=1
at Kansas	4+1=5	0+1=1	0+0=0	3+0=3	0+1=1	3+0=3	1+1=2	1+0=1
Texas	0+1=1	4+1=5	0+0=0	2+4=6	0+1=1	0+2=2	1+1=2	0+2=2
at Kansas State	1+2=3	1+1=2	DNP	2+5=7	0+0=0	0+0=0	1+1=2	0+0=0
Texas Tech	0+2=2	1+0=1	0+0=0	1+1=2	DNP	0+0=0	2+2=4	DNP
at Oklahoma	3+1=4	3+0=3	0+0=0	0+1=1	0+0=0	0+1=1	1+2=3	DNP
Oklahoma State	2+1=3	3+5=8	DNP	3+3=6	DNP	2+1=3	0+3=3	DNP

GAME-BY-GAME TACKLES (LINEBACKERS & DEFENSIVE BACKS)

Solo+Asst=Total	#2 Bell	#26 Bryan	#1 Crawford	#27 Criss	#34 Hixson	#8 A. Jones	#21 Lake	#12 La Mar
at TCU	8+1=9	3+0=3	2+2=4	1+0=1	0+0=0	0+1=1	8+0=8	3+1=4
Rice	3+1=4	1+2=3	1+1=2	1+2=3	0+2=2	2+4=6	2+3=5	4+4=8
Texas State	5+1=6	1+1=2	9+2=11	0+0=0	0+0=0	0+2=2	6+4=10	1+2=3
at Buffalo	0+1=1	1+0=1	1+1=2	0+0=0	0+0=0	DNP	5+2=7	5+1=6
at Texas A&M	4+3=7	0+0=0	2+4=6	1+0=1	0+0=0	0+1=1	11+7=18	1+5=6
Colorado	5+4=9	DNP	2+7=9	0+0=0	0+2=2	DNP	2+5=7	0+2=2
at Kansas	0+1=1	1+0=1	2+1=3	1+1=2	0+0=0	1+2=3	1+6=7	5+4=9
Texas	4+1=5	DNP	5+4=9	2+1=3	0+0=0	2+2=4	5+6=11	0+3=3
at Kansas State	3+0=3	2+3=5	1+1=2	0+0=0	0+0=0	0+0=0	9+4=13	5+1=6
Texas Tech	1+1=2	1+0=1	DNP	DNP	0+0=0	DNP	5+10=15	5+2=7
at Oklahoma	7+1=8	0+1=1	DNP	0+0=0	0+0=0	DNP	3+3=6	3+5=8
Oklahoma State	2+3=5	0+0=0	DNP	0+0=0	0+0=0	0+1=1	9+3=12	2+4=6

Solo+Asst=Total	#44 Moore	#33 Patin	#41 Pawelek	#11 Price	#7 Rodriguez	#9 Stiggers	#20 Widemon	#4 Williams
at TCU	1+1=2	2+1=3	2+4=6	0+0=0	1+0=1	1+1=2	2+0=2	0+1=1
Rice	4+1=5	0+1=1	4+3=7	2+1=3	0+2=2	1+0=1	2+1=3	3+3=6
Texas State	6+1=7	0+0=0	1+5=6	0+0=0	0+1=1	4+2=6	2+0=2	DNP
at Buffalo	4+5=9	0+0=0	6+3=9	0+0=0	0+0=0	5+3=8	0+2=2	1+1=2
at Texas A&M	5+3=8	2+0=2	4+8=12	0+3=3	0+1=1	6+7=13	3+1=4	1+0=1
Colorado	1+7=8	1+3=4	2+6=8	1+1=2	1+0=1	2+2=4	2+3=5	2+1=3
at Kansas	2+4=6	2+0=2	7+6=13	2+0=2	0+0=0	1+1=2	1+0=1	3+1=4
Texas	1+3=4	3+1=4	1+10=11	0+0=0	0+1=1	5+3=8	4+2=6	0+1=1
at Kansas State	2+3=5	1+2=3	9+3=12	0+0=0	0+0=0	1+2=3	4+1=5	3+2=5
Texas Tech	4+3=7	1+2=3	1+6=7	3+3=6	1+0=1	2+2=4	3+1=4	3+1=4
at Oklahoma	2+2=4	2+3=5	1+1=2	0+0=0	0+0=0	DNP	2+0=2	7+1=8
Oklahoma State	2+6=8	1+1=2	2+4=6	1+1=2	0+0=0	DNP	3+0=3	1+1=2

GAME-BY-GAME PUNTING

No.-Avg.-In 20	#16 Allen	#38 Epperson
at TCU	2-39.5-1	7-36.1-0
Rice	1-37.0-0	2-26.0-0
Texas State	3-37.0-2	4-46.5-1
at Buffalo	0-0.0-0	4-37.8-1
at Texas A&M	0-0.0-0	8-40.3-3
Colorado	1-19.0-0	4-36.2-0
at Kansas	0-0.0-0	7-38.1-2
Texas	0-0.0-0	5-37.6-2
at Kansas State	0-0.0-0	7-40.3-0
Texas Tech	0-0.0-0	8-42.2-1
at Oklahoma	0-0.0-0	5-38.2-1
Oklahoma State	0-0.0-0	5-40.8-1

GAME-BY-GAME FIELD GOALS

Made *Missed*	#16 Allen	#43 Brewster
at TCU	—	*20, 35*
Rice	—	*45*
Texas State	—	—
at Buffalo	—	43, 39, *49*
at Texas A&M	46	—
Colorado	—	26
at Kansas	25	—
Texas	*50*, 35	—
at Kansas State	*35*	—
Texas Tech	—	—
at Oklahoma	*38*	—
Oklahoma State	—	*42*

2007 BAYLOR SCORING DRIVES

Plays	Yds	Time	Score (Qtr)
at TCU			
	none		
RICE			
9	75	1:32	Akers 16 pass from Szymanski (1st)
11	77	3:31	Akers 9 pass from Szymanski (1st)
6	65	2:53	Taylor 24 pass from Szymanski (1st)
7	79	2:29	Whitaker 4 pass from Szymanski (2nd)
7	57	3:23	White pass from Szymanski (3rd)
8	58	2:05	Smith 19 pass from Szymanski (3rd)
TEXAS STATE			
8	69	2:03	Vann 14 pass from Szymanski (1st)
6	64	1:08	J. Jones 10 pass from Szymanski (1st)
6	47	2:28	Buerck 11 pass from Szymanski (2nd)
8	65	2:28	Finley 24 pass from Szymanski (4th)
2	24	0:41	Taylor 23 pass from Szymanski (4th)
at Buffalo			
4	-5	2:11	Brewster 43 FG (1st)
9	51	2:43	Akers 4 pass from Szymanski (2nd)
11	85	4:54	Buerck 9 pass from Szymanski (3rd)
5	22	1:06	Whitaker 2 pass from Szymanski (3rd)
7	24	1:46	Brewster 39 FG (3rd)
2	50	0:33	Szymanski 39 run (4th)
at Texas A&M			
4	-3	1:07	Allen 46 FG (1st)
3	80	1:08	Finley 3 run (4th)

Plays	Yds	Time	Score (Qtr)
COLORADO			
9	79	4:14	Brewster 26 FG (2nd)
2	64	0:32	Whitaker 2 run (2nd)
12	73	5:00	Akers 18 pass from Szymanski (3rd)
3	19	1:09	Finley 4 run (4th)
at Kansas			
11	50	3:57	Allen 25 FG (1st)
			Gettis 97 kick return (3rd)
TEXAS			
1	17	0:06	White 17 pass from Machen (2nd)
9	43	2:28	Allen 35 FG (4th)
at Kansas State			
4	77	1:38	White 52 pass from Szymanski (2nd)
1	37	0:08	White 37 pass from Szymanski (4th)
TEXAS TECH			
13	80	4:53	Whitaker 7 pass from Szymanski (4th)
at Oklahoma			
5	65	2:22	Whitaker 46 run (1st)
1	75	0:17	White 75 pass from Szymanski (2nd)
7	65	2:12	White 42 pass from Szymanski (3rd)
OKLAHOMA STATE			
9	81	4:08	White 6 pass from Szymanski (2nd)
9	75	2:22	White 28 pass from Szymanski (2nd)

Average Baylor Scoring Drive
Plays: 6.3
Yards: 53.8
Time: 2:10

2007 BAYLOR LONG PLAYS (25-plus yards)

Yds	Play	Opp. Date (Quarter)
97	Gettis kick return [TD]	at Kansas 10-13 (3rd)
75	White pass from Szymanski [TD]	at Oklahoma 10-11 (2nd)
69	Gettis pass from Szymanski	at Texas A&M 9-29 (4th)
62	Whitaker pass from Szymanski	Colorado 10-6 (2nd)
60	Stiggers fumble return	Texas 10-20 (2nd)
57	Whitaker run	at Oklahoma 11-10 (1st)
52	White pass from Szymanski [TD]	at Kansas State 10-27 (2nd)
46	Whitaker run [TD]	at Oklahoma 11-10 (1st)
45	Gettis kick return	at Kansas State 10-27 (1st)
44	Buerck pass from Szymanski	Rice 9-8 (2nd)
43	Gettis pass from Machen	Texas 10-20 (1st)
43	Bennett punt return	at Buffalo 9-22 (3rd)
42	White pass from Szymanski [TD]	at Oklahoma 10-11 (3rd)
39	Szymanski run [TD]	at Buffalo 9-22 (4th)
39	Baker kick return	Rice 9-8 (3rd)
37	White pass from Szymanski [TD]	at Kansas State 10-27 (4th)
37	Taylor pass from Machen	at Kansas State 10-27 (1st)
37	Baker pass from Szymanski	Rice 9-8 (2nd)
37	Smith pass from Szymanski	Rice 9-8 (1st)
36	Gettis kick return	Colorado 10-6 (1st)

Yds	Play	Opp. Date (Quarter)
34	Gettis kick return	at Kansas 10-13 (1st)
33	Gettis pass from Szymanski	Colorado 10-6 (2nd)
33	Buerck pass from Szymanski	Texas State 9-15 (4th)
32	Bryan interception return	at Kansas State 10-27 (1st)
30	Whitaker run	Oklahoma State 11-17 (2nd)
30	Tayler pass from Szymanski	Rice 9-8 (1st)
30	Gettis pass from Szymanski	Rice 9-8 (4th)
29	Szymanski run	at Buffalo 9-22 (3rd)
29	Taylor pass from Szymanski	Texas State 9-15 (1st)
28	White pass from Szymanski [TD]	Oklahoma State 11-17 (2nd)
28	Gettis kick return	at Kansas 10-13 (2nd)
28	Gettis pass from Szymanski	Colorado 10-6 (4th)
28	Lake interception return	at Buffalo 9-22 (1st)
27	Gettis kick return	at Oklahoma 10-11 (3rd)
27	Gettis kick return	at Kansas State 10-27 (4th)
27	La Mar interception return	at Texas A&M 9-29 (1st)
27	Fenty pass from Szymanski	Texas State 9-15 (1st)
27	Taylor pass from Szymanski	at TCU 9-1 (2nd)
26	Whitaker pass from Szymanski	atOklahoma 10-11 (1st)
25	Baker kick return	Rice 9-8 (1st)

GAME RECAPS

No. 22 TCU 27, BAYLOR 0

Amon G. Carter Stadium • Fort Worth, Texas
Sept. 1, 2007 • Attendance: 35,606

Baylor sustained its first shutout in two seasons and its first in a season opener in nearly two decades as the Bears dropped a 27-0 decision at 22nd-ranked TCU. It marked the second consecutive year in which Baylor lost to a ranked TCU team to open the season.

The Bears were last shutout in a season opener Sept. 1, 1990, a 13-0 loss at seventh-ranked Nebraska. Coincidentally, that was the only other time Baylor has ever played a game on Sept. 1.

Baylor had chances to put points on the board, but a fumble and two special teams miscues helped TCU preserve the shutout. A third special teams misplay setup the Frogs' second touchdown of the day.

After TCU missed a 29-yard field goal attempt on the game's first possession, Baylor faced third-and-10 at the TCU 32. **Blake Szymanski** found **Justin Akers** alone in the center of the field for a 24-yard pass. However, Akers, who appeared to have an unobstructed path to the end zone, fumbled the ball at the TCU 15. While Akers was able to recover the loose ball at the TCU 7, the fumble thwarted what proved to be Baylor's best chance at finding the end zone. Four plays later, **Shea Brewster** missed a 20-yard field goal on his first career attempt and the Bears came away empty after a 14-play, 77-yard drive.

TCU drove to the Baylor 1 on its ensuing possession; however, **Joe Pawelek** forced a fumble on second-and-goal, and **Brandon Stiggers** recovered for the Bears.

Neither team got on the board in the first quarter, but TCU's Justin Watts found the end zone from one yard out on the second quarter's second play.

TCU got a 64-yard Brian Bonner punt return to the Baylor 12 just inside the five-minute mark in the second. Ryan Christian scored around left end on the next play to give the Frogs a 14-0 lead at the half.

Baylor's defense, which held TCU to only 83 yards of offense in the second and third quarters, did not allow a first down in any of the Frogs' first three possessions of the third. However, the Bears' offense could not capitalize. Baylor reached the TCU 16 on its third possession of the quarter, but Brewster's 35-yard field goal attempt came up short.

TCU added a 27-yard Chris Manfredini field goal and a 14-yard Andy Dalton-to-Ervin Dickerson TD pass in the first three minutes of the fourth quarter to put the game away. Manfredini added a 34-yard field goal with 4:50 to play.

Szymanski finished 23-of-47 for 216 yards but was intercepted three times. Baylor recorded 55 passes on the day, one shy of the school record.

Justin Fenty was Szymanski's favorite receiver, catching five passes for 35 yards.

Josh Bell led the Bears defensively with nine tackles and two passes broken up. **Jordan Lake** added eight solo tackles, and **Jason Lamb** had seven tackles and a sack.

NOTES

- The Baylor-TCU series is now tied 49-49-7. This is the most-played series in Baylor football history.
- Baylor has forced at least one turnover in 21 of its last 24 games.
- It was Baylor's first shutout since a 62-0 loss to second-ranked and eventual national champion Texas in 2005. It was Baylor's first shutout on the road since a 41-0 loss at fourth-ranked Texas in 2002.
- It was the first shutout in the Baylor-TCU series since a 24-0 Frogs' victory at Floyd Casey Stadium in 1987.
- Seven Bears made the first starts of their respective careers: OG **James Barnard**, CB **Josh Bell**, DT **Trey Bryant**, OT **Jordan Hearvey**, FS **Jordan Lake**, C **J.D. Walton** and SS **Jeremy Williams**.

STATISTICS

Baylor	0	0	0	0	—	0
TCU	0	14	0	13	—	27

TCU Watts 1 run (Manfredini kick); 14:18, 2nd
TCU Christian 12 run (Manfredini kick); 4:34, 2nd
TCU Manfredini 27 FG; 14:10, 4th
TCU Dickerson 14 pass from Dalton (Manfredini kick); 12:30, 4th
TCU Manfredini 34 FG; 4:50, 4th

	BU	TCU
First Downs	16	16
Rushing	4	6
Passing	12	10
Penalty	0	0
Rushing Att.-Yards	25-51	45-181
Average	2.0	4.0
Passing Yards	231	205
Passing (C-A-I)	26-55-4	18-30-0
Average	4.2	6.8
Total Offense	282	386
Average	3.5	5.1
Punts-Avg.	9-36.9	7-44.3
Net Average	29.4	38.9
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	4-2
Penalties-Yards	5-45	8-55
3rd-Down Conversions	7-of-20	3-of-15
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-2	5-8
Touchdowns	0	3
Field Goals	0	2
Sacks	2-15	1-11
Time of Possession	27:52	32:08

RUSHING: ***(BU)*** Whitaker 12-27, J. Jones 7-19, Szymanski 6-5; ***(TCU)*** Turner 9-56, Christian 9-40 1 TD, Brown 5-27, Watts 8-23 1 TD, M. Jackson 3-17, Brock 1-8, Dalton 7-7, W. Jackson 2-2, Dickerson 1-1.

PASSING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 23-47-3-216, Beatty 3-8-1-15; ***(TCU)*** Dalton 18-30-0-205 1 TD, M. Jackson 0-0-0-0.

RECEIVING: ***(BU)*** Fenty 5-35, Baker 4-47, E. Smith 4-38, Taylor 3-51, Akers 3-36, Whitaker 3-8, Mitchell 2-11, Gettis 2-5; ***(TCU)*** Brock 5-47, Young 2-35, Dickerson 2-23 1 TD, Bryant 2-11, Christian 2-5, Reagan 1-50, Massey 1-28, Brown 1-5, Cunigan 1-1, Moore 1-0.

PUNTING: ***(BU)*** Epperson 7-36.1 46, Allen 2-39.5 42; ***(TCU)*** Wash 7-44.3 57.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(BU)*** Brewster 20, 35; ***(TCU)*** Manfredini 29.

DEFENSE: ***(BU)*** Bell 8-1-9 2 PBU, Lake 8-0-8, Lamb 4-3-7 1.0 SACK, Rhodes 3-3-6, Pawelek 2-4-6 1 FF, A. Jones 3-2-5, Freeman 4-0-4 1.0 SACK, Stiggers 1-1-2 1 FR, Criss 1-0-1 FF, Price 0-0-0 1 FR; ***(TCU)*** Hawthorne 7-4-11, Stewart 6-0-6, Henson 5-1-6 1.0 TFL 1 INT 1 PBU, Phillips 2-4-6 1 INT, Bonner 3-2-5, Coleman 4-0-4 1 INT 1 PBU, Sanders 3-1-4 0.5 SACK 1 INT 1 PBU, Roach 1-2-3 1 FF, Washington 1-1-2 0.5 SACK.

BAYLOR 42, RICE 17

Floyd Casey Stadium • Waco, Texas
Sept. 8, 2007 • Attendance: 29,107

Blake Szymanski established several school records, including 412 yards and six touchdowns passing, as Baylor defeated Rice 42-17. It was the first meeting between Baylor and Rice since 1995, the final season of the Southwest Conference.

Szymanski torched the Owls for 280 yards and four touchdowns in the first half as the Bears built a 28-7 halftime lead. It marked the first time in school that a Baylor quarterback tossed four touchdowns in a half. Szymanski had three first-quarter scoring strikes as Baylor recorded three touchdown passes in the first quarter for the first time in school history.

Baylor took the game's opening kickoff and drove 75 yards on nine plays for a touchdown. On third-and-10, Szymanski found **Justin Akers** from 16 yards out. Szymanski and Akers connected again on a 9-yard touchdown pass as the Bears marched 77 yards on 11 plays on their next possession. After Chase Clement put Rice on the board with an 11-yard touchdown run on the Owls' ensuing drive, Szymanski found Brad Taylor for a 24-yard scoring pass with 4:36 remaining in the first quarter.

Rice missed a field goal on its first drive of the second quarter, and the Bears answered with another touchdown drive. This time, Szymanski went to **Brandon Whitaker** from four yards out with 11:00 remaining in the half.

James Casey cut the Baylor lead in half with a 3-yard touchdown run midway through the third quarter, but Baylor quickly answered. Szymanski connected with **Thomas White** for a 20-yard touchdown pass at the 4:07 mark in the third and then found **Ernest Smith** on a 19-yard fade route with 1:12 remaining in the third.

Rice concluded the game's scoring with 2:40 left to play as Clark Fangmeier hit a 44-yard field goal.

Szymanski finished 29-of-46 passing and also rushed for 10 yards on three carries. He was one yard shy of **Tom Muecke's** school record for total yards in game, collecting 422 yards. Szymanski connected with 12 different receivers, led by Whitaker's six receptions. Eight different players had at least two receptions; Taylor led the Bears with 74 yards receiving.

The Bears tallied 521 yards of total offense, the most by a Baylor team since gaining 546 yards against Samford in 2002.

Defensively, the Bears were led by **Jake La Mar's** eight tackles, including two behind the line and one sack. Baylor had four sacks on the night as **Jason Lamb**, **Joe Pawelek** and **Vincent Rhodes** joined La Mar in that category. The Bears finished with 10 tackles for loss. **Alton Widemon** also had an interception.

NOTES

- Baylor leads the all-time series 45-30-2.
- Three different players recorded their first career touchdown receptions: IR **Justin Akers**, WR **Ernest Smith** and IR **Brad Taylor**.
- Szymanski established a Baylor record for passing yards in a half with 280 in the first.
- Baylor's 21-point first quarter tied for the third-highest scoring first quarter and tied for the 14th-highest scoring quarter in Baylor history.
- Baylor scored three touchdowns in the first quarter for the first time since Sept. 21, 2002 against Samford.
- Szymanski's 29 pass completions tied for the sixth-best single-game performance in school history.
- Szymanski became the first Bear since 1966 and only the third ever to record four touchdown passes in a game without an interception.

STATISTICS

Rice	7	0	7	3	—	17
Baylor	21	7	14	0	—	42

BU Akers 16 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 13:28, 1st
BU Akers 9 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 8:13, 1st
RICE Clement 14 run (Fangmeier kick); 7:29, 1st
BU Taylor 24 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 4:36, 1st
BU Whitaker 4 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 11:00, 2nd
RICE Casey 3 run (Fangmeier kick); 7:30, 3rd
BU White 20 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 4:07, 3rd
BU E. Smith 19 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 1:12, 3rd
RICE Fangmeier 44 FG; 2:40, 4th

	RICE	BU
First Downs	21	27
Rushing	11	6
Passing	9	19
Penalty	1	2
Rushing Att.-Yards	38-110	26-98
Average	2.9	3.8
Passing Yards	239	423
Passing (C-A-I)	23-30-1	30-51-0
Average	8.0	8.3
Total Offense	349	521
Average	5.1	6.8
Punts-Avg.	6-47.0	3-29.7
Net Average	37.3	29.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-40	4-30
3rd-Down Conversions	5-of-14	10-of-16
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-4	5-6
Touchdowns	2	5
Field Goals	0	0
Sacks	2	4
Time of Possession	32:48	27:12

RUSHING: ***(RICE)*** Ugokwe 11-30, Clement 13-28 1 TD, Randolph 1-21, Hill 6-19, Shepherd 5-7, Casey 2-5 1 TD; ***(BU)*** Whitaker 8-34, Finley 5-28, J. Jones 8-26, Szymanski 3-10, White 1-8, Beatty 1-(-8).

PASSING: ***(RICE)*** Clement 20-25-1-207, Shepherd 3-4-0-32, Casey 0-1-0-0; ***(BU)*** Szymanski 29-46-0-412 6 TD, Beatty 1-5-0-11.

RECEIVING: ***(RICE)*** Dillard 5-93, Henderson 5-39, Wardlow 4-40, Ugokwe 4-33, Dixon 3-18, Knox 1-10, Goodson 1-6; ***(BU)*** Whitaker 6-27 1 TD, Taylor 5-74 1 TD, E. Smith 3-65 1 TD, White 3-50 1 TD, Gettis 3-48, Buerck 2-57, Baker 2-40, Akers 2-25 2 TD, Fenty 1-11, L. La Mar 1-11, Mitchell 1-8, Newton 1-7.

PUNTING: ***(RICE)*** Juist 6-47.0 54; ***(BU)*** Epperson 2-26.0 35, Allen 1-37.0 37.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(RICE)*** Fangmeier 38; ***(BU)*** Brewster 45.

DEFENSE: ***(RICE)*** Raines 2-8-10 0.5 TFL 1 PBU 1 QBH, Garley 5-2-7, Jones 2-5-7 1.0 SACK 1 FF 1 PBU, Calhoun 2-4-6 1.0 TFL 1 PBU, King 3-2-5 1 PBU, Sendejo 2-3-5, Solomon 1-2-3 1.0 SACK 1 QBH, Knox 2-0-2 1 FR, Ugokwe 1-0-1 1 FR; ***(BU)*** J. La Mar 4-4-8 1.0 SACK 2.0 TFL, Pawelek 4-3-7 1.0 SACK 1.5 TFL, Williams 3-3-6 1.0 SACK 1.5 TFL, Jones 2-4-6 1 PBU, Moore 4-1-5 1.0 TFL, Lake 2-3-5 1 PBU, Lamb 1-4-5 1.0 SACK 1.5 TFL, Widemon 2-1-3 1 INT, Rhodes 2-1-3 1.0 SACK.

GAME RECAPS

BAYLOR 34, TEXAS STATE 27

Floyd Casey Stadium • Waco, Texas
Sept. 15, 2007 • Attendance: 36,274

Blake Szymanski became the second quarterback in school history to record consecutive 300-yard passing games and tossed five touchdown passes as Baylor defeated Texas State 34-27 at Floyd Casey Stadium.

One week after establishing Baylor single-game records with 412 yards and six touchdowns passing against Rice, Szymanski was 31-of-51 for 411 yards and five touchdowns with two interceptions against Texas State. He also torched the Bobcats for 205 yards in the first quarter and 246 yards in the first half; his first-half yardage total was the fifth-best single-half and third-best first-half tally in school history.

Szymanski also joined **Shawn Bell** as the only Baylor quarterbacks to complete 30-plus passes in a single game; Bell accomplished the feat five times, while Szymanski's 31 completions against Texas State tied for the third-best total in school history.

Baylor jumped out to a 14-0 lead thanks to first-quarter touchdown passes from Szymanski to **Keegan Vann** and **Jacoby Jones** of 14 yards and 10 yards, respectively. Texas State got on the board with 10:09 remaining in the second quarter when Bradley George connected with Cameron Luke on a 16-yard scoring pass. The Bears answered with Szymanski's third first-half touchdown pass, this one going to **Krys Buerck** from 11 yards out at the 5:14 mark.

However, Texas State refused to go quietly. Alvin Canady scored on a 1-yard run with 47 seconds remaining, and the Bobcats held Baylor scoreless in the third quarter. Former Bear Andrew Ireland pulled Texas State within four points with a 46-yard field goal at the 2:22 mark of the third.

Baylor did not allow Texas State to get any closer, though, out-scoring the Bobcats 13-10 in the fourth.

Szymanski connected with **Jay Finley** (24 yards) and **Brad Taylor** (23 yards) for scoring strikes, the last of which came with 2:34 remaining in the game. Again, Texas State battled back, getting a 36-yard Ireland field goal with 5:35 remaining and a 26-yard George-to-Core Hickerson touchdown pass with 1:10 remaining. The Bobcats attempted an onside kick, but Baylor recovered and ran out the clock.

Justin Akers led all Baylor receivers with seven catches for 95 yards, both career highs. Buerck had six receptions for 76 yards, and Taylor added five catches for 85 yards to give the Bears a trio of receivers with at least 75 yards each.

Baylor was led defensively by **Dwain Crawford** and **Jordan Lake** with 11 and 10 tackles, respectively. The Bears finished with two sacks, 10 tackles for loss and 16 quarterback hurries.

NOTES

- Baylor's passing yardage total (411) ranked second in school history.
- QB **Blake Szymanski** joined **Shawn Bell** (at Texas, vs. Kansas, 2006) as the only Baylor quarterbacks with consecutive 300-yard passing games.
- Szymanski recorded his fourth consecutive game with at least 200 yards passing, tying **Don Trull** for the second-longest streak in Baylor history.
- Szymanski finished with 403 yards of total offense, the fourth-best single-game tally in school history.
- WR **Krys Buerck** made his first career start.

STATISTICS

Texas State	**0**	**14**	**3**	**10**	**—**	**27**
Baylor	**14**	**7**	**0**	**13**	**—**	**34**

BU	Vann 14 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 7:03, 1st
BU	Jones 10 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 4:12, 1st
TXST	Cameron 16 pass from George (Ireland kick); 10:09, 2nd
BU	Buerck 11 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 5:14, 2nd
TXST	Canady 1 run (Ireland kick); 0:47, 2nd
TXST	Ireland 46 FG; 2:22, 3rd
BU	Finley 24 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 14:54, 4th
TXST	Ireland 36 FG; 5:35, 4th
BU	Taylor 23 pass from Szymanski (kick failed); 2:34, 4th
TXST	Hickerson 26 pass from George (Ireland kick); 1:10, 4th

	TXST	BU
First Downs	24	20
Rushing	7	1
Passing	17	19
Penalty	0	0
Rushing Att.-Yards	34-84	19-28
Average	2.5	1.5
Passing Yards	334	411
Passing (C-A-I)	31-56-0	31-51-2
Average	6.0	8.1
Total Offense	418	439
Average	4.6	6.3
Punts-Avg.	9-40.6	7-42.4
Net Average	31.8	39.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-25	7-54
3rd-Down Conversions	7-of-20	6-of-14
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	3-3
Touchdowns	2	3
Field Goals	1	0
Sacks	2	2
Time of Possession	35:54	24:06

RUSHING: ***(TXST)*** George 10-25, Bush 4-23, Zwinggi 7-19, Canady 9-13 1 TD, MacDonald 1-4, Crosby 4-0; ***(BU)*** Finsley 8-22, Whitaker 4-16, Allen 1-6, TEAM 2-(-8), Szymanski 4-(-8).

PASSING: ***(TXST)*** George 30-55-0-322 2 TD, Crosby 1-1-0-12; ***(BU)*** Szymanski 31-51-2-411 5 TD.

RECEIVING: ***(TXST)*** Luke 8-135 1 TD, Scott 7-57, Canady 6-26, Hickerson 3-58 1 TD, Thomas 3-30, Crosby 1-18, George 1-12, Bush 1-3, Zwinggi 1-(-5); ***(BU)*** Akers 7-95, Buerck 6-76 1 TD, Taylor 5-85 1 TD, Finley 4-45 1 TD, Fenty 3-53, Smith 2-17, Gettis 2-16, Vann 1-14 1 TD, Jones 1-10 1 TD.

PUNTING: ***(TXST)*** 7-42.7 52, Batchelor 2-33.0; ***(BU)*** Epperson 4-46.5 52, Allen 3-37.0 44.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: none.

DEFENSE: ***(TXST)*** Rutledge 5-5-10, Thompson 7-3-10 1 PBU, Pulliam 2-5-7 1 PBU, Houston 1-6-7 1 QBH, Clark 2-4-6 0.5 SACK 1 INT 2 QBH, Borner 1-4-5 1.0 TFL 1 QBH, Crenshaw 2-1-3 1 INT 1 PBU, Clark 1-2-3 1.5 SACK 1 QBH; ***(BU)*** Crawford 9-2-11 1 PBU, Lake 6-4-10 1 FR, Moore 6-1-7 1 FF 3 QBH, Bell 5-1-6 2 PBU, Stiggers 4-2-6 2.0 TFL 1 PBU, Lamb 3-3-6 1.0 TFL 2 QBH, Pawelek 1-5-6 1 PBU 1 QBH, Nelson 3-0-3 1.0 SACK 1 QBH, J. La Mar 1-2-3 1.0 SACK 1 QBH.

BAYLOR 34, BUFFALO 21

UB Stadium • Buffalo, N.Y.
Sept. 22, 2007 • Attendance: 22,676

Baylor scored 17 unanswered third-quarter points en route to a 34-21 victory at Buffalo in the Bears' final non-Big 12 game of the season. The victory gave Baylor its first three-game winning streak since the 2005 season and its third three-game run in head coach **Guy Morriss**' tenure.

Blake Szymanski accounted for four touchdowns, throwing three and rushing for another. He became the first player in school history to account for four-plus touchdowns in three consecutive games.

Szymanski saw his streak of four consecutive 200-yard passing games end, but he still tallied 263 yards of total offense with 172 yards passing and 91 yards rushing. His rushing total was the best by a Baylor quarterback since **Odell James** had 92 yards rushing against Kansas State in 1998. Szymanski also became the first Baylor quarterback to lead the team in rushing since **Aaron Karas** accomplished the feat against Southern Illinois in the 2001 season finale.

Baylor rushed for 229 yards on the night; **Jay Finley** had a career-high 80 yards on 15 carries, and **Brandon Whitaker** added 57 yards on 11 totes. It was Baylor's best rushing total since a 280-yard performance against Samford in 2002. The Bears eclipsed 100 yards rushing for only the second time since the start of the 2006 season (110 at Colorado, 2006) and topped the 200-yard plateau for the first time since the 2005 season opener (215 at SMU).

The Bears built a 10-0 lead thanks to **Shea Brewster**'s 43-yard, first-quarter field goal and Szymanski's 4-yard touchdown pass to **Justin Akers** with 11:49 remaining in the second quarter. Buffalo got on the board with 3:13 remaining before halftime on James Starks' 1-yard run.

Baylor owned the third-quarter, though, out-gaining the Bulls 160-45 in the period and earning 10 first downs to Buffalo's one. The Bears marched 85 yards on 11 plays to open the quarter, a drive that was capped by a 9-yard Szymanski-to-**Krys Buerck** touchdown pass. Szymanski found Whitaker from two yards out with 2:30 remaining in the quarter, and Brewster's 39-yard field goal with 31 seconds remaining in the period gave Baylor a 27-7 edge.

Buffalo added two fourth-quarter touchdowns, but Szymanski's 39-yard scoring scamper with 3:09 remaining took the wind out of the Bulls' sails.

Jordan Lake produced four turnovers on the night for the Baylor defense, intercepting two passes and forcing two fumbles; Lake also recovered one of the two fumbles he forced.

Szymanski finished 21-of-45 passing, going 13-of-20 in the second half.

Akers led all receivers with seven snags for 74 yards.

NOTES

- Baylor snapped a four-game losing streak in road games.
- Baylor improved to 26-40-2 all-time in games east of the Mississippi River, including a 5-1 mark in New York.
- Baylor won its 21st consecutive game when scoring at least 34 points in regulation.
- Baylor tallied more rushing yards (229) than passing yards (172) for the first time since the 2005 game against Texas.
- FS **Jordan Lake** earned Big 12 Conference Defensive Player of the Week honors.
- Lake became the first Bear with four turnovers forced since the NCAA began recognizing fumbles forced as an official statistic in 1992.
- DE **Damien Taylor** and RB **Jay Finley** both made their first career starts.

STATISTICS

Baylor	**3**	**7**	**17**	**7**	**—**	**34**
Buffalo	**0**	**7**	**0**	**14**	**—**	**21**

BU	Brewster 43 FG; 0:43, 1st
BU	Akers 4 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 11:49, 2nd
UB	Starks 1 run (Principe kick); 3:13, 2nd
BU	Buerck 9 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 10:01, 3rd
BU	Whitaker 2 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 2:30, 3rd
BU	Brewster 39 FG; 0:31, 3rd
UB	Starks 10 pass from Willy (Principe kick); 13:14, 4th
BU	Szymanski 39 run (Brewster kick); 3:09, 4th
UB	Starks 1 run (Principe kick); 1:21, 4th

	BU	UB
First Downs	24	18
Rushing	11	7
Passing	11	11
Penalty	2	0
Rushing Att.-Yards	42-229	27-87
Average	5.5	3.2
Passing Yards	172	276
Passing (C-A-I)	21-45-1	29-47-3
Average	3.8	6.0
Total Offense	401	363
Average	4.6	5.0
Punts-Avg.	4-37.8	5-44.2
Net Average	31.2	34.0
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	2-2
Penalties-Yards	6-50	10-81
3rd-Down Conversions	6-of-17	4-of-15
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	3-3
Touchdowns	3	3
Field Goals	1	0
Sacks-Yards	3-23	2-16
Time of Possession	32:34	27:26

RUSHING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 11-91 1 TD, Finley 15-80, Whitaker 11-57, Buerck 2-6, Fenty 1-5, TEAM 1-(-1), Epperson 1-(-9); ***(UB)*** Starks 14-62 2 TD, Henry 10-48, Willy 3-(-23).

PASSING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 21-45-1-172 3 TD; ***(UB)*** Willy 29-46-3-276 1 TD.

RECEIVING: ***(BU)*** Akers 7-74 1 TD, Finley 3-21, Fenty 3-15, Buerck 2-20 1 TD, Smith 2-14, Whitaker 2-14 1 TD, Newton 1-13, La Mar 1-1; ***(UB)*** Roosevelt 6-79, Hamlin 5-50, Jackson 4-37, Starks 4-33 1 TD, Henry 4-24, Rice 4-13, Rack 2-40.

PUNTING: ***(BU)*** Epperson 4-37.8 47; ***(UB)*** Woods 5-44.2 56.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(BU)*** Brewster 49; ***(UB)*** Principe 45, 46.

DEFENSE: ***(BU)*** Pawelek 6-3-9 1.0 SACK 2.0 TFL 1 FR, Moore 4-5-9 1.0 TFL 1 INT 1 PBU, Stiggers 5-3-8, Lake 5-2-7 2 FF 1 FR 2 INT, La Mar 5-1-6 1.0 SACK, Rhodes 1-1-2 1.0 SACK; ***(UB)*** Hutchinson 8-3-11 2.0 TFL, Akingba 5-5-10 1 FF, Byrom 3-5-8, Newton 4-2-6 1 PBU, Cook 2-4-6 1 PBU, Scott 5-0-5 2.0 SACK 2 FF 1 QBH, Shannon 4-0-4 1 INT 3 PBU.

GAME RECAPS

TEXAS A&M 34, BAYLOR 10

Kyle Field • College Station, Texas
Sept. 29, 2007 • Attendance: 82,970

Baylor was held to seven first downs and out-gained 552-254 as Texas A&M posted a 34-10 victory over the Bears in the Big 12 opener for both teams.

Texas A&M ran 94 offensive plays, the most against a Baylor team since Oklahoma ran 95 plays in a two-overtime game in 2005 and tied for the fourth-most ever run against the Bears. The Aggies used 65 of those plays on the ground, racking up 352 yards rushing.

Despite being dominated offensively most of the game, Baylor remained within striking distance until midway through the fourth quarter.

With the Bears trailing 20-3, **Blake Szymanski** connected with **David Gettis** on a 69-yard post route that gave Baylor a first-and-goal at the Aggies' 3. **Jay Finley** plowed his way into the end zone on the next play, pulling the Bears to within 10 points with 13:44 remaining in the game.

Baylor's defense forced Texas A&M into a three-and-out on the Aggies' ensuing possession; however, the Bears were unable to get any closer, managing just 66 yards on 12 plays over the remainder of the game.

Texas A&M pulled away down the stretch, getting touchdown runs of two yards and five yards from Stephen McGee (5:39) and Jerrod Johnson (1:42), respectively.

Matt Szymanski put Texas A&M on the board first, connecting on a 28-yard field goal with 4:14 to play in the first quarter. Baylor answered with a 46-yard **Caleb Allen** field goal on the opening period's final play.

The Aggies regained the lead with 2:08 remaining before halftime when McGee connected with Mike Goodson on a 58-yard touchdown pass.

Javorski Lane pushed the Aggies' lead to 17-3 with a 1-yard touchdown run at the 10:45 mark in the third, and Matt Szymanski, who also missed three field goals on the day, added a 23-yard field goal with 7:36 remaining in the third.

Blake Szymanski finished the game 12-of-35 for 194 yards and an interception for the Bears; he connected with eight different receivers, but no Bear had more than two catches on the day.

McGee was 16-of-28 for 200 yards with one interception for the Aggies; he also rushed 17 times for 110 yards. Lane finished with 123 yards on 24 carries.

Jordan Lake tallied 18 tackles on the day, including 11 solo stops and one stop behind the line. **Brandon Stiggers** (13) and **Joe Pawelek** (12) gave the Bears three players with at least 10 tackles. Showing the disparity in the time of possession and total offensive plays (Baylor ran just 52 plays in 16:42), the Bears top eight tacklers had more stops than any Aggie defender.

NOTES

- Ninth-largest crowd to ever watch a Baylor football game; largest crowd to ever watch a Baylor-Texas A&M game.
- Baylor was held to its lowest first-down total since Oklahoma held the Bears to six first downs in 2000.
- Texas A&M ran 94 offensive plays, the most against a Baylor team since Oklahoma had 95 plays in a two-overtime game in 2005 and tied for the fourth-most in Baylor history.
- WR **David Gettis** established a career high with 88 yards receiving.
- FS **Jordan Lake** became the first Baylor player to record more than 16 tackles in a game since **Maurice Lane** had 23 tackles against Texas Tech in 2003.

STATISTICS

Baylor	**3**	**0**	**0**	**7**	**—**	**10**
Texas A&M	**3**	**7**	**10**	**14**	**—**	**34**

TAMU	Szymanski 28 FG; 4:14, 1st
BU	Allen 46 FG; 0:00, 1st
TAMU	Goodson 58 pass from McGee (Szymanski kick); 2:08, 2nd
TAMU	Lane 1 run (Szymanski kick); 10:45, 3rd
TAMU	Szymanski 23 FG; 7:36, 3rd
BU	Finley 3 run (Brewster kick); 13:44, 4th
TAMU	McGee 2 run (Szymanski kick); 5:39, 4th
TAMU	Johnson 5 run (Szymanski kick); 1:42, 4th

	BU	TAMU
First Downs	7	31
Rushing	1	24
Passing	6	5
Penalty	0	2
Rushing Att.-Yards	16-60	65-352
Average	3.8	5.4
Passing Yards	194	200
Passing (C-A-I)	12-36-2	16-29-1
Average	5.4	6.9
Total Offense	254	552
Average	4.9	5.9
Punts-Avg.	8-40.3	3-48.3
Net Average	37.1	47.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-0
Penalties-Yards	5-54	6-40
3rd-Down Conversions	3-of-13	11-of-19
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	5-7
Touchdowns	1	3
Field Goals	0	2
Sacks-Yards	0-0	0-0
Time of Possession	16:42	43:18

RUSHING: ***(BU)*** Whitaker 6-26, Finley 6-19 1 TD, Szymanski 4-15; ***(TAMU)*** Lane 24-123 1 TD, McGee 17-110 1 TD, Goodson 11-60, Smith 8-29, Tarrant 4-25, Johnson 1-5 1 TD.

PASSING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 12-35-1-194, Machen 0-1-1-0; ***(TAMU)*** McGee 16-28-1-200 1 TD, Lane 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: ***(BU)*** Gettis 2-88, Buerck 2-27, Akers 2-19, Whitaker 2-12, Bennett 1-18, Newton 1-17, Finley 1-8, White 1-5; ***(TAMU)*** Smith 4-6, Franks 3-80, Goodson 2-54 1 TD, Brown 2-19, Alexander 2-18, Thomas 1-13, Taylor 1-7, Bennett 1-3.

PUNTING: ***(BU)*** Epperson 8-40.3 53; ***(TAMU)*** Brantly 2-55.0 58, McGee 1-35.0 35.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(BU)*** None; ***(TAMU)*** Szymanski 47, 34, 37.

DEFENSE: ***(BU)*** Lake 11-7-18 1.0 TFL 1 PBU, Stiggers 6-7-13 2.0 TFL, Pawelek 4-8-12 1.0 TFL, Moore 5-3-8, Bell 4-3-7 1.0 TFL, Crawford 2-4-6, J. La Mar 1-5-6 1 INT 1 PBU, Lamb 0-6-6 1.0 TFL, Freeman 2-3-5 2.0 TFL; ***(TAMU)*** Dodge 2-3-5 1.0 TFL 2 PBU, Dixon 2-2-4 1 FF, Brown 0-1-1 1 FR, Carpenter 0-0-0 2 INT.

COLORADO 43, BAYLOR 23

Floyd Casey Stadium • Waco, Texas
Oct. 6, 2007 • Attendance: 32,376

Blake Szymanski's third 400-yard passing effort of the season was not enough to lead Baylor to victory as the Bears fell to Colorado 43-23 at Floyd Casey Stadium.

Baylor out-gained Colorado 465-450, but much of the Bears' offense came in the second half when the game was nearly out of reach. Szmanski finished 36-of-60 for 410 yards and a touchdown with two interceptions, establishing Baylor single-game records for completions and attempts.

Colorado became only the second team in 29 games to score a touchdown against Baylor's defense on its first drive of the game, marching 82 yards on seven plays. The drive was keyed by a 27-yard pass on third-and-seven that followed a Colorado delay of game and a timeout on the game's third play from scrimmage. Cody Hawkins' 26-yard touchdown pass to Dusty Sprague capped the drive.

The Buffaloes got a 41-yard Kevin Eberhart field goal late in the first. Colorado pushed its lead to 17-0 with 11:43 remaining in the second quarter when Hawkins connected with Demetrius Sumler from seven yards out.

Baylor finally got on the board with at the 7:29 mark of the second on **Shea Brewster**'s 26-yard field goal. After a Sumler 3-yard touchdown run pushed Colorado's lead to 24-3, **Brandon Whitaker** found the end zone on a 2-yard run with 4:04 remaining before the half but the Bears missed the extra point. Two late Eberhart field goals pushed the Buffs' lead to 30-9, including a 54-yarder at the gun.

Colorado got a 42-yard Eberhart field goal early in the third and another Sumler 2-yard touchdown run with 6:08 remaining in the period to build a commanding 40-9 lead.

Szymanski connected with **Justin Akers** for an 18-yard touchdown pass late in the third, and **Jay Finley** added a 4-yard touchdown run with 5:04 remaining in the game. Eberhart's fifth field goal of the night — a 30-yarder — was sandwhiched between the two Baylor scores.

Whitaker finished the night with 11 receptions for 166 yards, both career highs and both single-game Baylor records for a non-receiver. His receptions total tied for the fifth-best single-game total in school history and was one shy of the overall Baylor record, while his yardage total tied for the eighth-best performance all-time at Baylor.

David Gettis added eight catches for 99 yards, both career highs. Gettis, who also had 126 yards on seven kickoff returns, turned in the best single-game all-purpose yardage total since **Jerod Douglas**' school-record, 257-yard performance at Oklahoma in 1997.

Baylor's offensive line did not allow a sack for the second consecutive game.

NOTES

- Colorado's 54-yard field goal to end the first half was the longest against Baylor since SMU's John Stewart made a 55-yarder in 1993 and was the first 50-plus-yard field goal against Baylor since Texas' Kris Stockton made a 50-yarder in 1999.
- Baylor's offensive line did not allow a sack for the second consecutive game.
- RB **Brandon Whitaker** produced Baylor's first 100-yard receiving game since **Dominique Zeigler**'s 180-yard performance against Texas A&M last season.
- WR **David Gettis** established career highs with eight receptions and 99 yards receiving.
- QB **Blake Szymanski** joined **Neal Jeffrey** as the only players in school history with three career 300-yard passing games.
- SS **Brandon Stiggers**' fourth-quarter interception was the first of his career.

STATISTICS

Colorado	**10**	**20**	**10**	**3**	**—**	**43**
Baylor	**0**	**9**	**7**	**7**	**—**	**23**

CU	Sprague 26 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick); 11:14, 1st
CU	Eberhart 41 FG; 2:09, 1st
CU	Sumler 7 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick); 11:43, 2nd
BU	Brewster 26 FG; 7:29, 2nd
CU	Sumler 3 run (Eberhart kick); 4:36, 2nd
BU	Whitaker 2 run (kick failed); 4:04, 2nd
CU	Eberhart 44 FG; 1:00, 2nd
CU	Eberhart 54 FG; 0:00, 2nd
CU	Eberhart 42 FG; 10:35, 3rd
CU	Sumler 2 run (Eberhart kick); 6:08, 3rd
BU	Akers 18 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick); 1:08, 3rd
CU	Eberhart 30 FG; 10:49, 4th
BU	Finley 4 run (Allen kick); 5:04, 4th

	CU	BU
First Downs	18	24
Rushing	6	3
Passing	12	19
Penalty	0	2
Rushing Att.-Yards	42-157	18-55
Average	3.7	3.1
Passing Yards	293	410
Passing (C-A-I)	17-27-1	36-60-2
Average	10.9	6.8
Total Offense	450	465
Average	6.5	6.0
Punts-Avg.	2-49.0	5-32.8
Net Average	48.5	23.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	11-105	10-71
3rd-Down Conversions	5-of-15	6-of-15
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	6-7	4-6
Touchdowns	3	3
Field Goals	3	1
Sacks-Yards	0-0	1-7
Time of Possession	33:05	26:55

RUSHING: ***(CU)*** Charles 20-122, Sumler 14-25 2 TD, Lockridge 3-15, Robinson 1-2, Ellis 1-0, Jagoras 1-(-2), Hawkins 2-(-5); ***(BU)*** Whitaker 14-26 1 TD, Szymanski 4-18, Finley 3-11 1 TD.

PASSING: ***(CU)*** Hawkins 17-26-1-293 2 TD, Lockridge 0-1-0-0; ***(BU)*** Szymanski 36-60-2-410 1 TD.

RECEIVING: ***(CU)*** Sprague 5-95 1 TD, Smith 2-103, Celestine 2-31, Charles 2-13, Sumler 2-13 1 TD, Williams 2-10, McKnight 1-16, Robinson 1-13; ***(BU)*** Whitaker 11-166, Gettis 8-99, Taylor 5-61, White 4-23, Finley 3-17, Buerck 3-15, Akers 2-29 1 TD.

PUNTING: ***(CU)*** DiLallo 2-49.0 56; ***(BU)*** Epperson 4-36.2 40, Allen 1-19.0 19.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(CU)*** Eberhart 36; ***(BU)*** None.

DEFENSE: ***(CU)*** Dizon 7-7-14 2.0 TFL 1 INT, Smart 6-4-10, Jones 2-4-6, McKay 4-2-5 0.5 TFL, Dykes 2-3-5, Wheatley 4-0-4 1 FF, J. Hawkins 0-0-0 1 INT; ***(BU)*** Crawford 2-7-9, Bell 5-4-8 1.0 TFL, Pawelek 2-6-8 2.0 TFL, Moore 1-7-8 0.5 TFL 1 PBU, Lake 2-5-7, Widemon 2-3-5 2 PBU, Francis 2-3-5, Stiggers 2-2-4 0.5 TFL 1 INT, Rhodes 1-2-3 1.0 SACK, Lamb 0-2-2 1 FR.

GAME RECAPS

No. 20 KANSAS 58, BAYLOR 10

Memorial Stadium • Lawrence, Kan.
Oct. 13, 2007 • Attendance: 43,556

Baylor committed five turnovers and managed only 10 first downs as the Bears dropped a 58-10 decision at No. 20 Kansas. It was the Bears' seventh consecutive Big 12 loss.

Kansas scored 24 points off Baylor's five turnovers. The Jayhawks also capitalized on several Baylor special teams' mistakes.

Baylor held Kansas to one first down total on the Jayhawks' first two possessions, forcing punts both times. However, **Joe Bennett** muffed the second punt and Kansas recovered at the Bears' 36. Seven plays later, Scott Webb's 27-yard field goal gave Kansas a 3-0 lead.

The Bears answered on their next possession, marching 50 yards on 11 plays for a 25-yard **Caleb Allen** field goal.

Kansas responded quickly, though, as Marcus Herford returned the ensuing kickoff 88 yards for a touchdown. That started a stretch of 38 unanswered points by the Jayhawks, including two touchdowns in a 47-second span late in the second quarter.

The Jayhawks led 31-3 at halftime and pushed their lead to 41-3 before Baylor finally found the end zone. Following Webb's second of three field goals on the day, **David Gettis** had a 97-yard kickoff return for a touchdown with 1:49 remaining in the third quarter. It was the seventh-longest kickoff return in school history and Gettis' first career return touchdown.

However, that was not enough to spark the Bears, who saw Kansas add a Webb field goal, a Kerry Meier touchdown run and an Angus Quigley touchdown run in the fourth quarter.

Baylor was held to season lows in total offense (202 yards) and passing yards (154). The Bears had more return yardage (208) than total offense.

Blake Szymanski, one of three quarterbacks to play for the Bears, finished 18-of-33 for 119 yards, the lowest passing yardage total of his career in a start; he also was intercepted three times.

Brandon Whitaker accounted for nearly half Baylor's offensive total on the day, rushing 12 times for 54 yards and catching seven passes for 45 yards.

Joe Pawelek paced Baylor's defense with 13 tackles, one shy of his career high. The Bears tallied four sacks on the day.

NOTES

- Kickoff was delayed 98 minutes due to inclement weather and lightning.
- Game was delayed 32 minutes at the 4:06 mark of the second quarter due to lightning.
- The home team has won all six Baylor-Kansas meetings as Big 12 opponents.
- Kansas' sack midway through the third quarter was the first allowed by Baylor's offensive line in three games, ending a 114-pass streak without allowing a sack.
- WR **David Gettis**' 97-yard kickoff return for a touchdown was Baylor's first since **Shaun Rochon**'s 98-yarder against Oklahoma in 2005.

STATISTICS

Baylor	**3**	**0**	**7**	**0**	**—**	**10**
Kansas	**10**	**21**	**10**	**17**	**—**	**58**

KU	Webb 27 FG; 8:24, 1st
BU	Allen 25 FG; 4:20, 1st
KU	Herford 88 kickoff return (Webb kick); 4:08, 1st
KU	Briscoe 10 pass from Reesing (Webb kick); 11:06, 2nd
KU	Sharp 4 run (Webb kick); 1:30, 2nd
KU	McAnderson 15 run (Webb kick); 0:43, 2nd
KU	Henry 54 pass from Reesing (Webb kick); 7:23, 3rd
KU	Webb 34 FG; 2:04, 3rd
BU	Gettis 97 kickoff return (Allen kick); 1:49, 3rd
KU	Webb 35 FG; 13:03, 4th
KU	Meier 2 run (Webb kick); 2:38, 4th
KU	Quigley 22 run (Webb kick); 0:08, 4th

	BU	KU
First Downs	10	26
Rushing	3	14
Passing	6	11
Penalty	1	1
Rushing Att.-Yards	19-48	50-236
Average	2.5	4.7
Passing Yards	154	211
Passing (C-A-I)	22-43-4	18-37-0
Average	3.6	5.7
Total Offense	202	447
Average	3.3	5.1
Punts-Avg.	7-38.1	7-32.6
Net Average	32.4	31.4
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-35	2-25
3rd-Down Conversions	2-of-14	6-of-18
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	7-7
Touchdowns	0	4
Field Goals	1	3
Sacks-Yards	4-22	1-7
Time of Possession	26:09	33:51

RUSHING: ***(BU)*** Whitaker 12-54, Szymanski 2-3, Finley 3-1, Roberts 2-(-10); ***(KU)*** Sharp 18-110 1 TD, McAnderson 10-53 1 TD, Quigley 8-47 1 TD, Reesing 10-14, Meier 3-11 1 TD, Bean 1-1.

PASSING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 18-33-3-119, Beatty 1-5-1-7, Roberts 3-5-0-28; ***(KU)*** Reesing 14-31-0-186 2 TD, Meier 4-6-0-25.

RECEIVING: ***(BU)*** Whitaker 7-45, Taylor 5-15, Akers 3-43, Buerck 3-26, Gettis 3-15, E. Smith 1-10; ***(KU)*** Fine 4-36, Fields 3-38, Brisco 3-29 1 TD, Meier 2-20, Ingram 2-15, Quigley 2-14, Henry 1-54 1 TD, Pendleton 1-5.

PUNTING: ***(BU)*** Epperson 7-38.1 56; ***(KU)*** Tucker 4-33.5 42, Meier 4-31.3 41.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(BU)*** None; ***(KU)*** None.

DEFENSE: ***(BU)*** Pawelek 7-6-13, J. La Mar 5-4-9 1.0 TFL, Lake 2-6-8 1 PBU, Moore 2-4-6 1.0 SACK, Bryant 4-1-5 1 PBU, Lamb 3-0-3 1.0 SACK, Patin 2-0-2 1.0 SACK, Rhodes 1-1-2 0.5 SACK, Nelson 0-1-1 0.5 SACK 1 PBU; ***(KU)*** Mortensen 3-5-8 1.0 TFL, Rivera 3-5-8 1 PBU, Harris 1-5-6 0.5 TFL 1 INT 2 PBU, Holt 5-0-5 1.0 TFL, Stuckey 0-5-5 1 PBU, Laptad 2-1-3 1.0 SACK, Muhammed 1-1-2 1.5 TFL 1 INT, Fine 1-0-1 1 FR, Oguntodu 1-0-1 1 FF, Thornton 0-1-1 1 INT, Green 0-0-0 1 INT.

No. 19 TEXAS 31, BAYLOR 10

Floyd Casey Stadium • Waco, Texas
Oct. 20, 2007 • Attendance: 41,335

Baylor had the ball and trailed by only seven points midway through the fourth quarter; however, two late Texas touchdowns, including Marcus Griffin's 91-yard interception return, allowed the 19th-ranked Longhorns to pull away from the Bears for a 31-10 victory.

Caleb Allen's 35-yard field goal cut Texas' lead to 17-10 with 12:21 remaining in the game. After forcing Texas into a three-and-out, Baylor regained possession at its own 29 with 10:08 to play. However, Texas' Deon Beasley intercepted **Michael Machen**'s third-and-two pass at the Bears' 43. Five plays later, the Longhorns scored on Vondrell McGee's 4-yard run.

Baylor again began driving and had a first-and-10 at the Texas 27 with just under six minutes to play. Griffin thwarted the Bears' comeback hopes, though, stepping in front of Machen's pass and returning it down the right sideline for a touchdown.

Machen, making his first start as a Bear, finished 25-of-44 for 231 yards with three interceptions and one touchdown. **John David Weed** spelled Machen after Griffin's interception return for a touchdown; Weed was 7-of-12 for 53 yards and was intercepted in the Texas end zone by Griffin with eight seconds remaining in the game.

Texas took the game's first lead on Ryan Bailey's 46-yard field goal at the 3:31 mark in the first quarter. The Horns had a chance to push their lead to 10-0 midway through the second quarter, but Baylor's defense made an impressive goal-line stand.

After Colt McCoy missed an open receiver in the end zone on third-and-goal from the 1, Texas went for it on fourth down. However, **Brandon Stiggers** got into the UT backfield, disrupted a pitch, picked up the loose ball and returned it 60 yards to the Texas 32. A personal foul face mask penalty on McCoy gave the Bears possession at the Texas 17. On the next play, Machen connected with **Thomas White** on an inside screen; White raced past four Texas defenders and into the end zone to give Baylor a 7-3 lead.

Texas answered quickly, driving 66 yards on five plays for a touchdown on its ensuing possession. The drive was capped by McCoy's 27-yard pass to Nate Jones. The Longhorns never trailed again, getting a 3-yard Chris Ogbonnaya touchdown run late in the third quarter to build a 17-7 lead.

Baylor was held to eight yards rushing on 18 attempts; the Bears lost eight yards on a sack and another 24 yards due to an errant snap late in the game.

Jordan Lake and **Joe Pawelek** led Baylor with 11 tackles each; Pawelek forced a fumble and had an interception. Stiggers finished with eight tackles, including two for loss, and had an interception to go along with his fumble force/recovery. **Leon Freeman** had career highs with three tackles for loss and two sacks.

NOTES

- Baylor's second-quarter touchdown was its first score against Texas at Floyd Casey Stadium since the fourth quarter of the 2001 game.
- Baylor held Texas to its lowest point total in the series since a 30-20 UT victory in 1998.
- Baylor attempted 56 passes on the day, tied for second in school history.
- Machen became the first Bear to pass for at least 200 yards in his first career start since **Aaron Karas**' 331-yard outing against Southern Illinois in 2001.
- IR **Justin Akers** tied his career high with nine receptions, tied for the 16th-best single-game total in school history.

STATISTICS

Texas	**3**	**7**	**7**	**14**	**—**	**31**
Baylor	**0**	**7**	**0**	**3**	**—**	**10**

UT	Bailey 46 FG; 3:31, 1st
BU	White 17 pass from Machen (Allen kick); 7:12, 2nd
UT	Jones 23 pass from McCoy (Bailey kick); 5:13, 2nd
UT	Ogbonnaya 3 run (Bailey kick); 3:01, 3rd
BU	Allen 35 FG; 12:21, 4th
UT	McGee 4 run (Bailey kick); 7:34, 4th
UT	Griffin 91 INT return (Bailey kick); 5:47, 4th

	UT	BU
First Downs	27	19
Rushing	13	4
Passing	13	13
Penalty	1	2
Rushing Att.-Yards	46-177	18-8
Average	3.8	0.4
Passing Yards	293	284
Passing (C-A-I)	25-36-2	32-56-4
Average	8.1	5.1
Total Offense	470	292
Average	5.7	3.9
Punts-Avg.	3-31.3	5-37.6
Net Average	24.7	37.4
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-70	2-9
3rd-Down Conversions	7-of-15	6-of-17
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	2-4
Touchdowns	2	1
Field Goals	0	1
Sacks-Yards	1-8	3-17
Time of Possession	33:40	26:20

RUSHING: ***(UT)*** McGee 9-57 1 TD, Charles 17-49, McCoy 10-44, Chiles 5-14, Bobino 1-7, Ogbonnaya 2-4 1 TD, Shippley 1-2, TEAM 1-0; ***(BU)*** Finley 8-23, Whitaker 4-11, Weed 1-4, Machen 3-(-6), TEAM 2-(-24).

PASSING: ***(UT)*** McCoy 25-34-2-293 1 TD, Chiles 0-1-0-0, Shipley 0-1-0-0; ***(BU)*** Machen 25-44-3-231 1 TD, Weed 7-12-1-53.

RECEIVING: ***(UT)*** Jones 6-72 1 TD, Finley 5-60, Cosby 5-30, Shipley 3-56, Pittman 3-28, Charles 2-36, Ogbonnaya 1-11; ***(BU)*** Akers 9-77, Whitaker 5-24, Gettis 4-73, White 4-36 1 TD, Smith 3-28, Fenty 3-23, Buerck 2-18, Finley 2-5.

PUNTING: ***(UT)*** Moore 3-31.3 48; ***(BU)*** Epperson 5-37.6 47.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(UT)*** Bailey 46; ***(BU)*** Allen 50.

DEFENSE: ***(UT)*** Foster 3-4-7 1.0 TFL 2 PBU, Palmer 5-1-6 1.0 TFL, Griffin 3-3-6 2 INT, Kelson 3-2-5, Derry 3-2-5 0.5 TFL, Norton 1-3-4 1 INT, Beasley 1-0-1 1 INT; ***(BU)*** Lake 5-6-11 1 PBU, Pawelek 1-10-11 1 FF 1 INT, Crawford 5-4-9, Stiggers 5-3-8 2.0 TFL 1 FF 1 FR 1 INT, Widemon 4-2-6 1 PBU, Lamb 2-4-6 1.0 SACK, Freeman 4-1-5 3.0 TFL 2.0 SACK, Bell 4-1-5 1 PBU.

GAME RECAPS

KANSAS STATE 51, BAYLOR 13

Snyder Family Stadium • Manhattan, Kan.
Oct. 27, 2007 • Attendance: 45,959

Seven turnovers, five sacks, nine penalties and special teams' mistakes led to Baylor's 51-13 loss at Kansas State as the Bears saw their Big 12 Conference losing streak extend to eight games.

Despite several miscues, Baylor trailed by only 10 points at halftime. **Blake Szymanski**, the Bears' third quarterback of the day, connected with **Thomas White** on a 52-yard touchdown pass with 2:34 remaining in the second quarter. However, **Caleb Allen** missed the ensuing extra point, and Kansas State's lead remained 16-6.

Kansas State put the game away in the third quarter, though. The Wildcats scored three touchdowns in the period, including two in a span of 40 seconds. All three scores in the third quarter were touchdown passes from Josh Freeman, who also had two rushing scores on the day.

Szymanski and White hooked up for a scoring strike again early in the fourth quarter, this time from 37 yards out. However, Kansas State answered with a Freeman 1-yard touchdown run, and Jordy Nelson added a 92-yard punt return for a touchdown with 31 seconds to play in the game.

Freeman finished the game 22-of-33 for 247 yards passing; he added 19 yards on 10 rushes. Two Kansas State receivers had 100-yard efforts: Nelson had eight catches for 105 yards, while Daniel Gonzalez caught seven passes for 104 yards and a touchdown. Leon Patton paced the Kansas State ground game with 113 yards on 17 totes.

Szymanski, who connected on each of his first seven pass attempts, finished 15-of-21 for 213 yards and an interception. Starter **Michael Machen** was 5-of-14 for 92 yards and two interceptions. **John David Weed** played one series and rushed the ball on all three plays, gaining four yards before the Bears were forced to punt.

White tallied four catches for 118 yards, a career high. It was his first career 100-yard receiving game and Baylor's first by a non-back since **Dominique Zeigler**'s 180-yard effort against Texas A&M in 2006. White also recorded the second multiple-touchdown game of his career; he also had two touchdown receptions against Northwestern State in 2006.

The Bears were paced defensively by **Jordan Lake** and **Joe Pawelek**, who had 13 and 12 tackles, respectively.

Baylor missed a pair of golden opportunities on the game's first drive as linebacker **Nick Moore** dropped interceptions on back-to-back plays. The Bears still forced Kansas State to punt on that drive.

The Wildcats cracked the scoreboard with 7:14 remaining in the first quarter on a Freeman 1-yard touchdown run. Brooks Rossman connected on one first-quarter field goal and two second-quarter field goals as Kansas State built a 16-0 lead.

NOTES

- Baylor was penalized nine times for 103 yards, a season high in yardage.
- CB **Antareis Bryan**'s first-quarter interception was the first of his career.
- WR **Thomas White**'s 52-yard, second-quarter touchdown reception was the longest reception of his career.
- QB **Blake Szymanski** recorded his fifth 200-yard passing game of the season.
- DE **Jason Lamb** tied his career high with seven tackles.
- Second straight double-digit tackle game for FS **Jordan Lake**, fourth this season.
- Third straight double-digit tackle game for LB **Joe Pawelek**, fourth this season and fifth of his career.

STATISTICS

Baylor	**0**	**6**	**0**	**7**	**—**	**13**
Kansas State	**10**	**6**	**21**	**14**	**—**	**51**

KS	Freeman 1 run (Rossman kick); 7:14, 1st
KS	Rossman 34 FG; 5:31, 1st
KS	Rossman 34 FG; 10:42, 2nd
KS	Rossman 33 FG; 4:12, 2nd
BU	White 52 pass from Szymanski (kick failed); 2:34, 2nd
KS	Murphy 22 pass from Freeman (Rossman kick); 13:00, 3rd
KS	Gonzalez 40 pass from Freeman (Rossman kick); 5:44, 3rd
KS	Nelson 6 pass from Freeman (Rossman kick); 5:14, 3rd
BU	White 37 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick); 12:28, 4th
KS	Freeman 1 run (Rossman kick); 9:08, 4th
KS	Nelson 92 punt return (Rossman kick); 0:31, 4th

	BU	KS
First Downs	15	23
Rushing	2	12
Passing	12	10
Penalty	1	1
Rushing Att.-Yards	26-13	46-208
Average	0.5	4.5
Passing Yards	305	255
Passing (C-A-I)	20-35-3	23-36-1
Average	8.7	7.1
Total Offense	318	463
Average	5.2	5.6
Punts-Avg.	7-40.3	4-43.2
Net Average	13.1	42.2
Fumbles-Lost	4-4	3-1
Penalties-Yards	9-103	8-80
3rd-Down Conversions	2-of-12	5-of-17
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-2	6-7
Touchdowns	0	3
Field Goals	0	3
Sacks-Yards	1-5	5-49
Time of Possession	25:39	34:21

RUSHING: ***(BU)*** J. Jones 6-28, Finley 2-7, Weed 3-4, Whitaker 5-4, Szymanski 7-(-3), Machen 3-(-27); ***(KS)*** Patton 17-113, Johnson 16-78, Freeman 10-19 2 TD, Coffman 1-0, Murphy 2-(-2).

PASSING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 15-21-1-213 2 TD, Machen 5-14-2-92; ***(KS)*** Freeman 22-33-1-247 3 TD, Coffman 1-3-0-8.

RECEIVING: ***(BU)*** White 4-118 2 TD, Taylor 4-71, Buerck 3-41, Finley 2-31, E. Smith 2-25, J. Jones 2-5, Gettis 1-12, Whitaker 1-3, Akers 1-(-1); ***(KS)*** Nelson 8-105 1 TD, Gonzalez 7-104 1 TD, Patton 5-9, Murphy 1-22 1 TD, Johnson 1-9, Wilson 1-6.

PUNTING: ***(BU)*** Epperson 7-40.3 54; ***(KS)*** Reyer 4-43.2 47.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(BU)*** Allen 35; ***(KS)*** Rossman 45, 33.

DEFENSE: ***(BU)*** Lake 9-4-13 1 PBU, Pawelek 9-3-12 1.0 TFL 1 PBU, Lamb 2-5-7 1.0 SACK 1 FF, J. La Mar 5-1-6 1 PBU, Widemon 4-1-5 1.0 TFL, Williams 3-2-5 1.0 TFL, Moore 2-3-5 2 PBU, Bryan 2-3-5 1 INT; ***(KS)*** Cox 6-2-8 2.0 SACK 1 FF 1 FR, Chandler 2-4-6 1.0 TFL, Walker 2-4-6 1.0 SACK 2.0 TFL 1 FF, Watts 5-0-5, Houlik 3-2-5, Cline 0-4-4 0.5 TFL 1 INT, Manu 2-1-3-1.0 SACK, Childs 2-1-3 1.0 TFL 1 FF, Herndon 2-1-3 1.0 SACK 2.5 TFL 1 FF, Carney 2-1-3 1 INT, Roland 1-2-3 1.5 TFL 1 FR, Baldwin 1-1-2 1 INT, Campbell 0-2-2 0.5 TFL 2 FR.

TEXAS TECH 38, BAYLOR 7

Floyd Casey Stadium • Waco, Texas
Nov. 3, 2007 • Attendance: 39,015

Texas Tech built a 17-0 halftime lead and then pulled away with 21 unanswered third-quarter points in a 38-7 victory over Baylor at Floyd Casey Stadium. It was Texas Tech's 12th consecutive victory over Baylor in the all-time series.

After forcing Texas Tech into a three-and-out on the game's opening possession, Baylor drove 46 yards on 14 plays to the Red Raiders'12. However, on third-and-10, Texas Tech defensive end Brandon Williams sacked Baylor quarterback **Blake Szymanski** and forced a fumble, which was recovered by Williams. Four plays and 40 seconds later, Tech found the end zone on a 37-yard Graham Harrell-to-Eric Morriss touchdown pass.

Aaron Crawford added a 3-yard touchdown run with 65 seconds remaining in the first quarter. It was the first of four touchdowns on the day for Crawford, who found the end zone twice rushing and twice receiving.

That proved to be all the offense Tech would need as the Bears did not have another legitimate scoring opportunity until late in the fourth quarter. Szymanski connected with **Brandon Whitaker** for a 7-yard touchdown pass on fourth-and-goal with 49 seconds remaining in the game. That snapped a 10-quarter, 170-minute, 32-second scoreless streak for Baylor against Texas Tech at Floyd Casey Stadium. In fact, it was Baylor's first offensive score against the Red Raiders in Waco since **Rashad Armstrong**'s 54-yard touchdown run on the second play from scrimmage in the 2003 game, a span of 178 minutes, 30 seconds.

Texas Tech finished with 563 yards of total offense and held Baylor to 282 yards. The Red Raiders averaged 7.4 yards per play, compared to 3.4 yards per play for the Bears.

Harrell was 37-of-46 for 433 yards and three touchdowns. Crawford had 10 receptions for 82 yards, as well as 44 yards on nine carries.

Szymanski was 25-of-41 for 191 yards with one interception. **Thomas White** was Szymanski's favorite target; White caught seven passes for 58 yards. **Jacoby Jones** tallied 119 all-purpose yards in his first career start; he rushed 21 times for 83 yards and caught six passes for 36 yards.

Alex Trlica's 23-yard field goal two seconds before halftime gave Texas Tech a 17-0 lead at the break. After Baylor gained one first down on the opening possession of the second half, Texas Tech's Danny Amendola returned the Bears punt to the Baylor 17. The Red Raiders scored on the next play as Harrell connect with Crawford, who added another touchdown reception and a touchdown run in the third period.

Baylor held Tech scoreless in the fourth quarter, snapping a streak of eight consecutive quarters in which the Red Raiders had scored against the Bears.

NOTES

- Baylor was held scoreless in the first half for the first time since the season opener at TCU. The Bears were held scoreless in the first half at home for the first time since Texas in 2005.
- Baylor's fourth-quarter touchdown broke a streak of 10 consecutive scoreless quarters at home against Texas Tech. The Bears' last score against the Red Raiders was in the first quarter of the 2003 meeting.
- Three Bears made their first career starts: RB **Jacoby Jones**, ROV **Jake La Mar** and FS **Marlon Price**.
- LB **Nick Moore** saw his consecutive games started streak end at 19 games.
- P **Derek Epperson**'s 63-yard, first-quarter punt was the first 60-plus-yard punt of his career.

STATISTICS

Texas Tech	**14**	**3**	**21**	**0**	**—**	**38**
Baylor	**0**	**0**	**0**	**7**	**—**	**7**

TT	Morris 37 pass from Harrell (Trlica kick); 7:07, 1st
TT	Crawford 3 run (Trlica kick); 1:05, 1st
TT	Trlica 23 FG, 0:02, 2nd
TT	Crawford 17 pass from Harrell (Trlica kick); 12:22, 3rd
TT	Crawford 17 run (Trlica kick); 6:54, 3rd
TT	Crawford 7 pass from Harrell (Trlica kick); 2:12, 3rd
BU	Whitaker 7 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick); 0:49, 4th

	TT	BU
First Downs	29	21
Rushing	2	8
Passing	26	11
Penalty	1	2
Rushing Att.-Yards	17-73	35-91
Average	4.3	2.6
Passing Yards	490	191
Passing (C-A-I)	44-59-0	25-47-1
Average	8.3	4.1
Total Offense	563	282
Average	7.4	3.4
Punts-Avg.	3-51.7	8-42.2
Net Average	43.7	28.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	7-59	7-55
3rd-Down Conversions	4-of-11	9-of-21
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-8	1-2
Touchdowns	4	1
Field Goals	1	0
Sacks-Yards	2-22	0-0
Time of Possession	27:14	32:46

RUSHING: ***(TT)*** Crawford 9-44 2 TD, Lewis 7-27, Harrell 1-2; ***(BU)*** J. Jones 21-83, Weed 3-9, Whitaker 3-5, Roberts 1-1, Szymanski 7-(-7).

PASSING: ***(TT)*** Harrell 37-46-0-433 3 TD, Potts 7-13-0-57; ***(BU)*** Szymanski 25-41-1-191 1 TD, Weed 0-4-0-0, Roberts 0-2-0-0.

RECEIVING: ***(TT)*** Crawford 10-82 2 TD, Amendola 8-108, Britton 5-59, Crabtree 4-61, Lewis 4-31, Morris 3-56 1 TD, Reed 3-21, Walker 2-21, Lewis 2-16, Reese 2-14, Brinker 1-11; ***(BU)*** White 7-58, J. Jones 6-36, Akers 4-22, Taylor 3-43, Finley 2-17, Whitaker 2-6, Gettis 1-9.

PUNTING: ***(TT)*** LaCour 3-51.7 60; ***(BU)*** Epperson 8-42.2 63.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(TT)*** Trlica 32, 37; ***(BU)*** None.

DEFENSE: ***(TT)*** P. Williams 4-6-10 2.0 TFL, Charbonnet 3-4-7, Duncan 2-5-7, Garcia 2-4-6 1 PBU, M. Williams 2-4-6 1 PBU, McBath 4-1-5 1 INT 1 PBU, B. Williams 2-2-5 1.0 SACK 1.5 TFL 1 FF 1 FR 1 QBH, Collier 1-1-2 1.0 SACK 1.5 TFL; ***(BU)*** Lake 5-10-15, La Mar 5-2-7, Moore 4-3-7 1 PBU, Pawelek 1-6-7 1 FF 1 FR, Price 3-3-6, Williams 3-1-4 1.5 TFL, Widemon 3-1-4 1 PBU, Rhodes 2-2-4.

GAME RECAPS

No. 4 OKLAHOMA 52, BAYLOR 21

Gaylord Family Oklahoma Memorial Stadium • Norman, Okla.
Nov. 10, 2007 • Attendance: 84,450

Two redzone turnovers and an Oklahoma kickoff return for a touchdown proved fatal for Baylor in a 52-21 loss to the fourth-ranked Sooners.

After the teams traded punts on their first possessions, Baylor drove to the Oklahoma 3 thanks to **Brandon Whitaker**'s 57-yard run. However, **Blake Szymanski** was intercepted in the end zone on the next play, thwarting Baylor's first scoring chance of the game.

The Bears again forced the Sooners to punt and responded with a five-play, 65-yard scoring drive. Whitaker's 46-yard touchdown run capped the drive.

Baylor's lead was short-lived, though, as Oklahoma marched 72 yards on seven plays and scored in 2:28. DeMarco Murray's first of three touchdown runs ended the drive, this one from 25 yards out.

After the Bears went three-and-out on their ensuing possession, Oklahoma quickly took the lead. Sam Bradford connected with Malcolm Kelly for a 51-yard touchdown pass on the Sooners' first play from scrimmage.

Oklahoma pushed its lead to 21-7 with 10:24 remaining in the second quarter. Baylor got back in the game with a 75-yard Szymanski-to-**Thomas White** touchdown pass with 60 seconds to play in the quarter. However, the Sooners again answered quickly as Murray returned the ensuing kickoff 91 yards for a touchdown.

The Sooners scored on the first drive of the second half, but Baylor had a chance to answer. The Bears had second-and-goal at the Oklahoma seven; however, a false start cost Baylor five yards, and Szymanski was intercepted on the next play.

Bradford recorded his third touchdown pass of the game on the ensuing drive, giving Oklahoma a 42-14 lead.

Szymanski again connected with White for a touchdown pass late in the third quarter, this time from 42 yards out. That was the end of the scoring for Baylor, though.

Oklahoma added a 27-yard Garrett Hartley field goal and a Murray 21-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter.

Whitaker finished with 149 yards rushing on 15 carries, the second 100-yard rushing game of his career. It was Baylor's first 100-yard rushing effort since the 2005 Texas A&M game and the Bears' best rushing performance since **Rashad Armstrong**'s 166-yard tally against Colorado in 2003. Whitaker's rushing total was Baylor's best ever against Oklahoma. He also had 10 receptions for 68 yards, finishing with 217 all-purpose yards.

Szymanski was 25-of-42 for 280 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. During the game, he established Baylor single-season records for total yards, passing yards and passing touchdowns.

NOTES

- Sixth-largest crowd to ever watch a Baylor game. Largest crowd to ever watch at Baylor-Oklahoma game.
- RB **Brandon Whitaker** eclipsed the 1,000-yard rushing plateau for his career during the first quarter, becoming the 27th player in Baylor history to accomplish the feat.
- Whitaker's rushing total (149 yards) tied for the 23rd-best in Baylor history.
- Whitaker finished with 217 all-purpose yards, the ninth-best single-game total in school history.
- QB **Blake Szymanski**'s 75-yard touchdown pass to **Thomas White** was a career-long play for both players and tied for the 21st-longest pass play in Baylor history.
- LB **Joe Pawelek** failed to record at least six tackles for the first time since the 2006 Oklahoma game, snapping a 10-game streak.

STATISTICS

Baylor	**7**	**7**	**7**	**0**	**—**	**21**
Oklahoma	**14**	**14**	**14**	**10**	**—**	**52**

BU	Whitaker 46 run (Allen kick); 4:56, 1st
OU	Murray 25 run (Hartley kick); 2:16, 1st
OU	Kelly 51 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick); 1:08, 1st
OU	Murray 1 run (Hartley kick); 10:24, 2nd
BU	White 75 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick); 1:00, 2nd
OU	Murray 91 kickoff return (Hartley kick); 0:54, 2nd
OU	Johnson 60 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick); 12:19, 3rd
OU	Johnson 13 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick); 3:48, 3rd
BU	White 42 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick); 1:30, 3rd
OU	Hartley 27 FG; 12:16, 4th
OU	Murray 21 run (Hartley kick); 2:48, 4th

	BU	OU
First Downs	20	24
Rushing	5	7
Passing	12	14
Penalty	3	3
Rushing Att.-Yards	26-170	37-180
Average	6.5	4.9
Passing Yards	280	353
Passing (C-A-I)	25-42-2	20-25-1
Average	6.7	14.1
Total Offense	450	533
Average	6.6	8.6
Punts-Avg.	5-38.2	2-39.5
Net Average	31.0	29.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-49	6-45
3rd-Down Conversions	6-of-13	5-of-11
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-2	3-4
Touchdowns	0	2
Field Goals	0	1
Sacks-Yards	0-0	0-0
Time of Possession	30:25	29:35

RUSHING: ***(BU)*** Whitaker 15-149 1 TD, Finley 5-16, White 1-7, J. Jones 1-1, Szymanski 4-(-3); ***(OU)*** Murray 13-95 3 TD, Patrick 13-46, Brown 11-39.

PASSING: ***(BU)*** Szymanski 25-42-2-280 2 TD; ***(OU)*** Bradford 20-25-1-353 3 TD.

RECEIVING: ***(BU)*** Whitaker 10-68, Gettis 4-30, Smith 3-40, White 2-117 2 TD, Fenty 2-12, J. Jones 2-8, Akers 2-5; ***(OU)*** Johnson 4-126 2 TD, Kelly 4-82 1 TD, Iglesias 3-29, Gresham 2-40, Finley 2-25, Murray 2-19, Patrick 2-14, Tennel 1-18.

PUNTING: ***(BU)*** Epperson 5-38.2 50; ***(OU)*** Knall 2-39.5 42.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(BU)*** Allen 38; ***(OU)*** None.

DEFENSE: ***(BU)*** Williams 7-1-8 1.0 TFL, Bell 7-1-8 1 PBU, J. La Mar 3-5-8, Lake 3-3-6, Patin 2-3-5, Bryant 3-1-4 0.5 TFL, Moore 2-2-4, Francis 1-2-3 1 INT; ***(OU)*** Lofton 8-3-11 1.0 TFL, Smith 2-5-7 1.0 TFL 1 INT 1 PBU, Davis 4-2-6 0.5 TFL, Holmes 4-2-6 0.5 TFL, Baker 4-2-6 1.0 TFL, Beal 1-0-1 1.0 TFL 1 FF.

OKLAHOMA STATE 45, BAYLOR 14

Floyd Casey Stadium • Waco, Texas
Nov. 17, 2007 • Attendance: 28,159

Baylor's 2007 season came to an end with a 45-14 loss to Oklahoma State at Floyd Casey Stadium. It was the Bears' 12th consecutive loss in Big 12 play as Baylor finished the season winless in conference play for the first time since 2001.

Oklahoma State tallied 545 yards offense on 72 plays, averagin 7.6 yards per play. The Cowboys got 343 yards on the ground and had two 100-yard rushers.

OSU did not take long to seize the game's first lead. After focing the Bears into a three-and-out on the game's first possession, the Cowboys gained possession of the ball at the Baylor 41. Two plays later, Seth Newton caught a 30-yard touchdown pass from Zac Robinson. Oklahoma State never relinquished the lead.

Robinson pushed the Cowboys' lead to 14-0 on an 18-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter. Baylor cut the OSU lead in half with 9:17 remaining in the second when **Blake Szymanski** connected with **Thomas White** on a 6-yard touchdown pass. However, the Cowboys answered with a 24-yard Robinson-to-Tommy Devereaux touchdown pass just 71 seconds later. Robinson added a 4-yard touchdown run with 2:46 remaining before halftime.

Szymanski and White connected again 24 seconds before halftime, this time from 28-yards out. It marked White's third multiple-touchdown reception game of the season, becoming the first Bear to accomplish that feat since **Melvin Bonner** in 1992.

The second half belonged to Oklahoma State, though. The Cowboys added a 27-yard Dan Bailey filed goal and a 4-yard Dantrelle Savage touchdown run in the third quarter. Savage found the end zone again with 9:59 to play, this time from two yards out.

Szymanski finished 29-of-40 for 226 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions. White had a career-high nine receptions for 68 yards. **Brandon Whitaker** produced 131 all-purpose yards, gaining 79 yards on 11 carries and 59 yards on nine receptions. It marked the third game of the season in which Whitaker caught at least nine passes and the fourth such game of his career, both tying **Gerald McNeil**'s school records.

Robinson paced the Oklahoma State offense, going 16-of-21 for 202 yards passing and two touchdowns; he also had 144 yards on 17 carries with two rushing touchdowns. Savage added 109 yards on 16 carries.

NOTES

- WR **Thomas White** moved into second place on Baylor's single-season touchdown receptions list with eight.
- RB **Brandon Whitaker** moved into fifth place on Baylor's single-season receptions list with 58. He also became the first running back in school history with at least 50 receptions in a season.
- FS **Jordan Lake** recorded his sixth double-digit tackle game of the season.
- DE **Leon Freeman** established a career high with eight tackles.

STATISTICS

Oklahoma State	**7**	**21**	**10**	**7**	**—**	**45**
Baylor	**0**	**14**	**0**	**0**	**—**	**14**

OSU	Newton 30 pass from Robinson (Bailey kick); 13:22, 1st
OSU	Robinson 18 run (Bailey kick); 13:25, 2nd
BU	White 6 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 9:17, 2nd
OSU	Devereaux 24 pass from Robinson (Bailey kick); 8:06, 2nd
OSU	Robinson 4 run (Bailey kick); 2:46, 2nd
BU	White 28 pass from Szymanski (Brewster kick); 0:24, 2nd
OSU	Bailey 27 FG; 9:50, 3rd
OSU	Savage 4 run (Bailey kick); 0:52, 3rd
OSU	Savage 2 run (Bailey kick); 9:59, 4th

	OSU	BU
First Downs	29	19
Rushing	19	7
Passing	10	10
Penalty	0	2
Rushing Att.-Yards	51-343	28-83
Average	6.7	3.0
Passing Yards	202	226
Passing (C-A-I)	16-21-0	29-40-2
Average	9.6	5.7
Total Offense	545	309
Average	7.6	4.5
Punts-Avg.	2-48.5	5-40.8
Net Average	38.5	40.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	6-69	2-9
3rd-Down Conversions	4-of-10	3-of-13
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-5	1-4
Touchdowns	4	1
Field Goals	1	0
Sacks-Yards	5-41	0-0
Time of Possession	31:37	28:23

RUSHING: ***(OSU)*** Robinson 17-144 2 TD, Savage 16-109 2 TD, Hunter 15-77, Croslin 3-13; ***(BU)*** Whitaker 11-79, Jones 6-35, White 1-2, L. La Mar 1-(-10), Szymanski 9-(-23).

PASSING: ***(OSU)*** Robinson 16-21-0-202 2 TD; ***(BU)*** Szymanski 29-40-2-226 2 TD, L. La Mar 0-0-0-0.

RECEIVING: ***(OSU)*** Newton 4-62 1 TD, Savage 4-49, Pettigrew 4-47, Bryant 2-12, Devereaux 1-24 1 TD, Hunter 1-8; ***(BU)*** White 9-68 2 TD, Whitaker 9-59, Taylor 5-65, Gettis 1-12, Smith 1-10, Finley 1-8, Fenty 1-5, Jones 1-4, Akers 1-2.

PUNTING: ***(OSU)*** Fodge 2-48.5 52; ***(BU)*** Epperson 5-40.8 50.

MISSED FIELD GOALS: ***(OSU)*** Bailey 42; ***(BU)*** Brewster 42.

DEFENSE: ***(OSU)*** Moore 8-3-11 1 FF 1 INT 1 PBU, Woods 7-2-9 1.0 TFL, Lavine 4-4-8 1.0 TFL, Price 5-2-7, Peterson 6-0-6 5.0 TFL 3.0 SACK, Lacey 4-2-6, Sexton 3-3-6 1 INT, Cummings 1-2-3 1.5 TFL 0.5 SACK, Burton 1-1-2 0.5 SACK Chatham 1-0-1 1.0 SACK; ***(BU)*** Lake 9-3-12 1 PBU, Freeman 3-5-8 1.0 TFL, Moore 2-6-8, Lamb 3-3-6, Pawelek 2-4-6, J. La Mar 2-4-6 0.5 TFL.

2008 FOOTBALL

Aug. 30	WAKE FOREST
Sept. 6	NORTHWESTERN STATE
Sept. 13	WASHINGTON STATE
Sept. 19	at Connecticut
Oct. 4	OKLAHOMA
Oct. 11	IOWA STATE
Oct. 18	at Oklahoma State
Oct. 25	at Nebraska
Nov. 1	MISSOURI
Nov. 8	at Texas
Nov. 15	TEXAS A&M
Nov. 29	at Texas Tech